

COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Security Of Europe

WITH world attention focussed on the Geneva conference, an important development affecting the future of Europe has been somewhat obscured this last week. Six EDC governments have just announced in Paris that when the EDC treaty is ratified by all member states, they will take measures for the Community's Assembly to be elected by universal suffrage. The Governing Boards of both the European Defence Community and the Coal and Steel Community will be responsible for this new "European Parliament." This is important because of the new agreement, with its accent on democratic control of the two European communities, helps forward ratification of the Defence Treaty, then Britain's plans for closer association with the European forces can be brought into effect more speedily. Last month Britain and the EDC countries signed an agreement on this association, and the British Government made declarations of its policy in European defence. These and earlier diplomatic documents provide that as soon as the Defence Community is set up, Britain will send a Cabinet Minister when he is needed to attend meetings of the Council of the Defence Community, while for day to day contact, Britain will send a permanent representative to the Board of Commissioners. The latter will obviously have a very important role. The declared policy of the British Government is: to maintain British forces on the mainland of Europe so long as there exists a threat to the security of Western Europe and the EDC; to consult with the European Defence Community on any substantial modification in the level or composition of British armed forces on the mainland of Europe; to regard any threats to the integrity or unity of EDC as a threat to Britain's own security. Within the framework of this policy, a great deal of practical work awaits. The British Government has agreed it will work out with the EDC a common training system, to co-ordinate staff methods, logistics and the standardisation of equipment. These are practical matters awaiting political ratification of the EDC treaty, a political step which should be helped by the Paris agreement.

VITAL 48-HOUR PHASE AT GENEVA BEGINNING

Much Depends On Eden's Presence Or Absence

LANIEL TO SEEK NEW CONFIDENCE VOTE

From DEREK MARKS

Geneva, May 11. The Geneva conference is now entering a vital 48-hour phase which will determine whether or not there is to be peace in Indo-China.

It is the Queen's return to London which is imposing the new time limit.

Although Mr Eden's plans are being kept secret, I understand he intends to return on Friday to be with the other Ministers on Westminster Pier to greet the Queen on Saturday afternoon.

I gather that so far no plans have been made for his return to Geneva.

The Indo-China talks got going only because of the friendly relations now existing between Mr Eden and Mr Molotov.

If Mr Eden leaves Geneva this weekend the chances of progress in the Indo-China talks will be drastically reduced.

It is the Vietnamese proposals which caused all the argument among the delegates. The United States view is the Communists are demanding "unconditional surrender."

Some members of the French delegation, headed by M. Marc Jacquet, Minister for Indo-China Affairs, regard the Communist suggestions which come up for discussion again tomorrow as largely acceptable. So far the British delegation has expressed no view, but I understand Mr Eden thinks the Vietnamese ceasefire plan provides a basis for negotiations although most of their other suggestions are unacceptable.

The Communist plan demands a ceasefire throughout Indo-China, with each side keeping order in the territory it occupies, a ban on the entry of fresh troops or war materials, and a Commission to be formed from both sides to enforce the armistice.

Britain is determined that any armistice should be supervised by an International Commission of countries who were neutral in the Indo-China war.

WANTS FRESH VOTE

Paris, May 11. Premier Joseph Laniel today decided to ask the National Assembly for a fresh vote of confidence on the motion to postpone any debate on Indo-China.

Plane Kills Cyclist

Bournemouth, May 11. A Venom jet fighter, one of Britain's latest planes, knocked over and killed a motor cyclist travelling along an adjoining road today when it took off from Hurn airfield, near this south coast resort. The impact tore a wheel off the plane, which belly-landed in an adjoining field. The pilot was not seriously injured. Police threw a security net round the scene immediately after the accident.—China Mail Special.

IN INDO-CHINA

Rebels Step Up Pressure

Paris, May 11. Vietnamese troops, stepping up their pressure along the 60-mile western perimeter of the Red River delta, have captured a military post only six miles from Hanoi, according to reports from Indo-China received here tonight.

French military quarters do not expect an immediate all-out attack against Hanoi, but the French Admiralty today announced that two French cruisers had been recalled from their spring cruise to stand by to sail to Indo-China if "circumstances demand it."

While mounting Vietnamese pressure was reported from the eastern perimeter of the delta, 50 French bombers delivered a major blow against Vietnamese attempts to sever rail and road communications between Hanoi and its supply port of Haiphong. Going into action with 500 pound and 1,000 pound bombs, the planes razed three important bases, about 18 miles east and southeast of Hanoi. These bases had served as jumping off ground for attempts by an estimated 12,000 Vietnamese to break through Northern Indo-China's "lifeline."

CUT COMMUNICATIONS

Vietnamese troops operating in this area have succeeded in cutting communications between Hanoi and Haiphong nearly every day during the past fortnight. The main fighting was reported from the west perimeter of the delta, where Vietnamese troops have launched a series of attacks against posts held by Vietnamese auxiliaries along the whole line from Sonatay, about 25 miles northeast of Hanoi, down to Phuly, about 30 miles south of Hanoi. But only one post has fallen in this new series of attacks, according to Hanoi reports.

Military observers here believe that General Vo Nguyen Giap, the Vietnamese Commander-in-Chief, is pursuing several objectives in the current Tonkin fighting.

1. To strengthen the relatively weak Vietnamese position in the western delta area in case of elections.

2. To prepare a pincer movement against Hanoi at the end of the monsoon period.

3. To try to cut all road and rail communications between Hanoi and Haiphong.—Reuter.

GARY COOPER INJURED

Mexico City, May 11. Actor Gary Cooper suffered serious powder burns when he was "shot" in the left shoulder with a blank cartridge today in a movie battle.

He was brought to the French Hospital here for treatment of what physicians described as a "nasty wound." Cooper said he did not know who "shot" him. He was burned when someone fired a rifle, loaded with blanks, at close range during a battle scene for the motion picture "Veracruz."

Cooper said he did not think the wound serious enough to delay filming.—United Press.

Soviet Assassin Reveals Secrets

Washington, May 11. Nikolai Khokhlov, a paid assassin for Russia's secret police, gave Senate investigators a first-hand account of his cloak-and-dagger operations today at a super-secret meeting behind locked doors.

Members of the Senate Internal Security sub-Committee flatly refused to discuss any aspect of the 32-year-old former KVD agent's report. Even the place of the three-hour meeting was "blacked out" to protect Khokhlov from possible Communist reprisals.

Khokhlov arrived here from Britain in protective custody within the past few days. He already had been questioned at length by British and US intelligence officers in London about his activities for the MVD. Leaving his wife in Russia, Khokhlov had sought political asylum in the West by surrendering to the Allied authorities in West Germany last February.

He said he had been instructed by Alexander Panyushkin, former Soviet Ambassador to this country and now a top MVD official, to assassinate Georgi Okolovich, a leading anti-Communist refugee, in Frankfurt, Germany.

Counsel Charles Grimes of the Senate sub-Committee said in advance of today's hearing that it would be the "first" in a series to get any information Khokhlov had about Communist espionage in the United States. He said public hearings may be held later.

Mr Grimes said that, although Khokhlov was in this country for the first time, he had a "general knowledge" of the Russian espionage set-up in this country.

Mr Grimes reported that Khokhlov was assigned two assistants—Kurt Weber and Hans Kukulowitsch—in the plot to assassinate Okolovich. He said the two surrendered with Khokhlov and were now in custody in Germany.—United Press.

US Defence Secretary Coming Here

Washington, May 11. The Defence Department announced today that Secretary Charles E. Wilson will visit Hongkong, Formosa, Japan, Korea and the Philippines during his three-week Far East tour.

Wilson will leave Washington tonight.

In making public his itinerary, the Defence Department said he will be accompanied by Navy Under-Secretary Thomas S. Gates, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Gates, and two office aides.

The party will fly to Tokyo via Anchorage, Alaska, and return to Washington via Honolulu.

Mr Wilson's itinerary: Arrive Anchorage May 12; arrive Tokyo May 14; Japan, Korea area until May 18; arrive Formosa May 19; depart Formosa and arrive Okinawa May 21; arrive Hongkong May 22; depart Hongkong and arrive Manila May 24; depart Manila and arrive Hawaii May 26; depart Hawaii May 29 and arrive Washington May 30.—United Press.

Three Tunisians Shot, Killed

Tunis, May 11. Three Tunisians have been shot and killed in the last 24 hours by outlaws, the Police reported today.

The Police announced the suspension of the Arab daily *Al Akhbar* for three months.

Information published by the newspaper, the Police said, was of a nature to "disturb the public order."—United Press.

New Ark Royal's Maiden Voyage



The Ark Royal, 36,800 tons, Britain's new aircraft-carrier which has taken 11 years to build, is seen sailing from Cammel Laird's shipyard, Birkenhead. Tugs accompanied the carrier down the river, under her own steam, to the Gladstone Dock.

Shamshuipo Fire Disaster: 1 Killed, Seven Injured

A Fire Brigade officer Chung Chun-pak was killed, while seven other persons were injured in an early morning blaze at Shamshuipo, when a war-damaged tenement house caught on fire and then collapsed in Tai Nan Street.

Heroically, 17-year-old Young Si-tseng caught up his eight-year-old sister, Young Kwan-tai, who was severely burned, and jumped with her from the second floor. Both sustained serious injuries.

Their mother and two other tenants were also hurt when they jumped into the street.

Two Fire Brigade officers and a fireman later entered the fire-damaged building, and were trapped when the rear wall and part of the former kitchen on the upper floors collapsed, crashing down with a sound like thunder, sending clouds of dust in all directions.

Fire Officer Chung Chun-pak was trapped under some beams, which pinned him down, and prevented him from moving. Fire Officer Marti was also buried under mud and debris, and a fireman was injured.

Fire Officer Marti was dug out shortly after 6 o'clock but Fire Officer Chung was still buried at a late hour this morning.

The premises, built in 1933, were the shell of a Chinese tenement house, which was heavily damaged during World War II.

The fire apparently began on the ground floor and rapidly spread to the storeys above.

Three fire appliances appeared shortly after the fire started. Panic spread faster than the fire through the building and residents rushed towards doors and windows.

The Fire Brigade had the fire under control within an hour, and the officers then, went into the building. Suddenly, without warning, the wall collapsed.

PWD workers are also at the scene of the disaster, helping in the excavating work. Supporting poles have been erected, propping up the building to prevent it from collapsing any further.

The Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, Mr W. J. Gorman, was at the scene of the fire directing operations, which are still continuing.

The Fire Brigade Stations in Kowloon are flying their flags at halfmast, as a mark of respect for Fire Officer Chung.

Acrobat Saves Wife's Life

Copenhagen, May 12. Fifteen hundred spectators yesterday saw an acrobat leap into a circus ring and catch his wife when she slipped and fell 30 feet from a trapeze.

Susan Tacoma, aged 23, was hanging on the high wire by one foot with no net below her while her husband Walter watched from the ringside. As she fell, head first, he sprang into the ring just in time to catch her. The force of the fall sent both reeling, but in a moment they were up smiling and unharmed apart from slight bruises.—China Mail Special.

Van Loaded With Explosives Seized By Police

Rome, May 11. Italian police tonight pounced on a midge van loaded with explosives near the home of the Premier, Signor Mario Scelba.

They said they had arrested two men and one woman and identified them as members of a revolutionary Fascist organisation known as "Fasci Dell Azione Rivoluzionaria."

A communique from police headquarters denied that the explosive was intended for an attempt on the life of the Prime Minister, who has been an object of Fascist hatred since he tried three years ago to ban the formation of a Neo-Fascist party.

It was understood that police had been watching for several days a secret arms dump at Pietralata, on the outskirts of Rome.

Today they saw a small van drive up to load a trunk and two suitcases.

Aboard the van were a woman and two men.

They followed it as it drove back into Rome. It stopped in a street close to that in which Signor Scelba lives.

The men went off, apparently to look for a temporary hiding place for their dangerous load. When they returned, the police pounced and arrested them and the woman.

The trunk and suitcases were rushed to police headquarters for examination by experts.—Reuter.

Parliamentary Furore

Rome, May 11. A neo-Fascist Deputy, Robert Miele, started a wild outburst on the floor of the Chamber of Deputies today when he called for the Parliamentarians to express appreciation to "the heroes of Dien Bien Phu for showing us how to defend our liberty."

This resulted in shouts of "Murderer" and "Fascist assassin" being hurled at the 34-year-old MSI Deputy.

"We owe these defenders a vote of thanks," Miele shouted back. "They have shown us how to defend our liberty. We should be proud there were Italians among those Foreign Legionnaires."

Left and Right Wing benches exchanged insults for 15 minutes before order was restored.—United Press.



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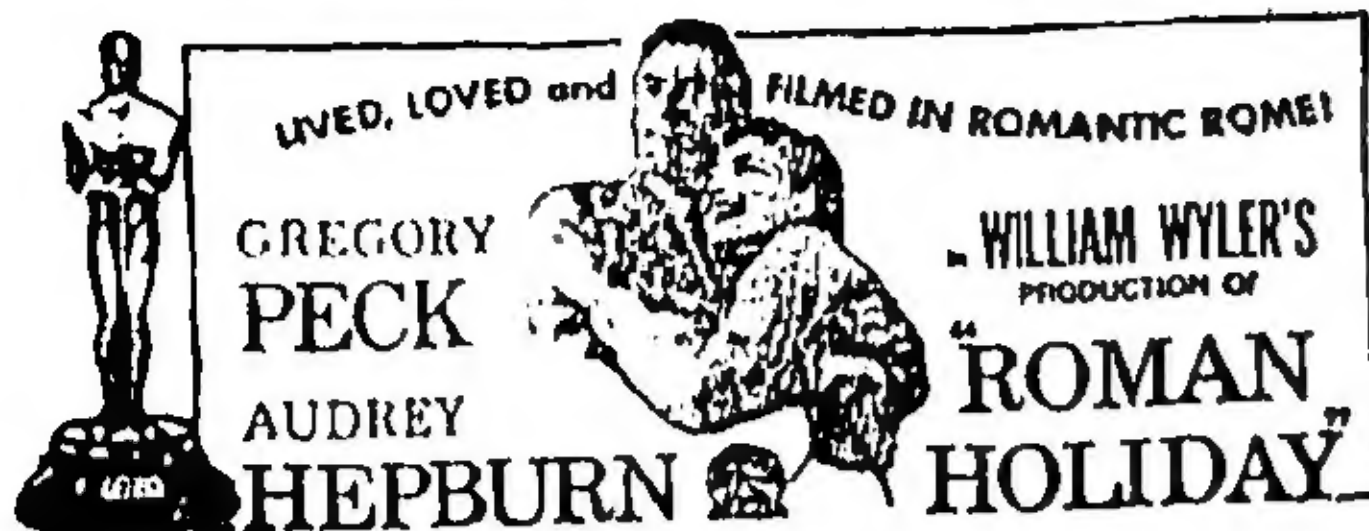
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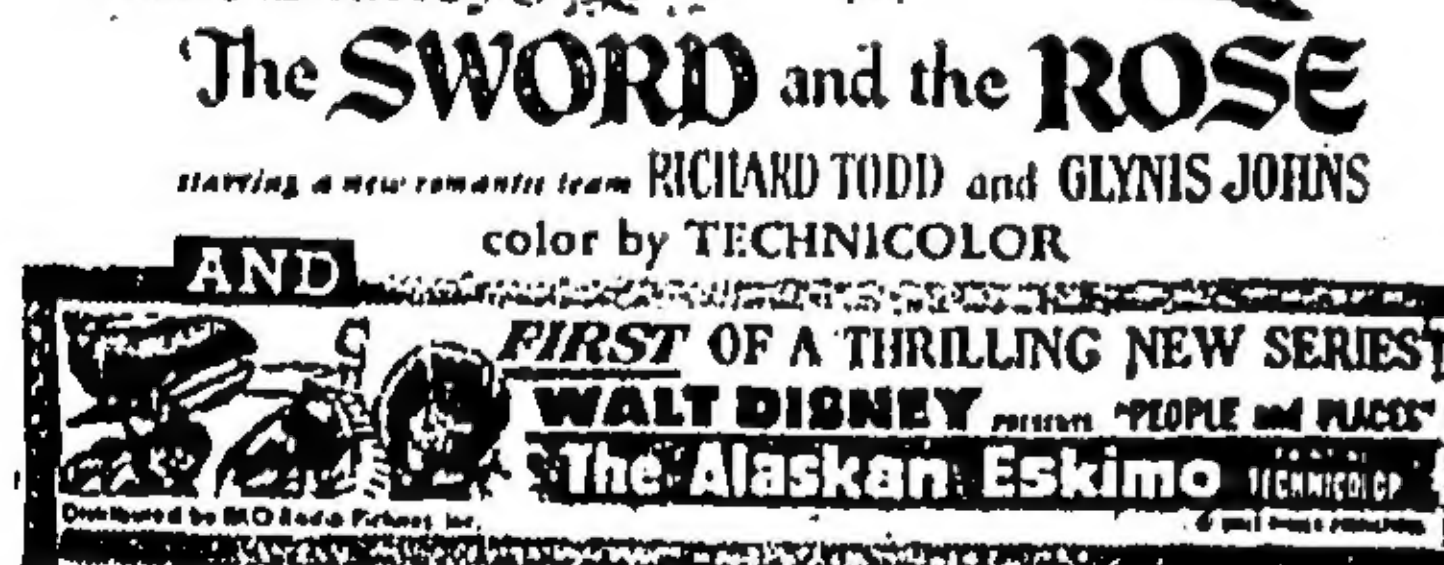
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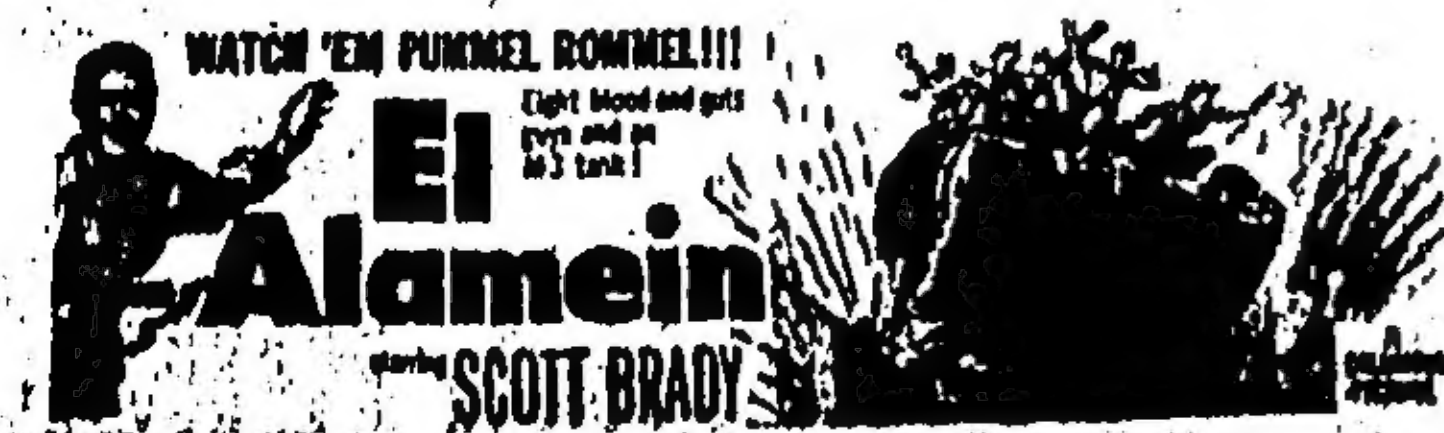
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Deteriorating Position In Indo-China MAGSAYSAY AND WILSON TO CONFER

Washington, May 11.

The Secretary of Defence, Mr Charles Wilson, and President Ramon Magsaysay of the Philippines are to discuss the security of the Philippines in relation to the situation in Indo-China in Manila late this month, an authoritative source said today.

After meeting with the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, yesterday, the Philippines Ambassador, Mr Carlos Romulo, said that on instructions from President Magsaysay he had requested that the Philippine-United States mutual defence treaty be implemented.

This action automatically calls for consultations between the two Governments within the framework of the pact to consider steps for countering a possible threat to the security of either country.

In this case, the Philippines has chosen to view the Communist successes in Indo-China as such a possible threat.

Today, an authoritative source said the United States had agreed to the Philippine request to put the treaty machinery into motion.

Mr Wilson, who leaves for the Far East today, is due in Manila on May 24, for talks with President Magsaysay on the military phases of the pact.

Before Mr Wilson's arrival, consultations are to be held between a Filipino military committee and the joint United States Military Advisory Group in the island capital, according to these Washington sources.

Before reaching Manila, Mr Wilson will make a tour of the Far East, including Formosa, which he is visiting for the inauguration of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who has been re-elected President of Nationalist China.

It will be Mr Wilson's first trip to the Western Pacific since he accompanied President-elect Eisenhower there late in 1952.

He will arrive in Tokyo on May 14. His schedule made no mention of Korea. His next appointment is on May 19 in Formosa. Mr Wilson will remain on Formosa until May 21, then go to Okinawa for a day's visit. He is due back in Washington on May 30.—Reuter.

Family Life Stood Up Well To War

2 Women Review The Home Front

London. Two women social research experts have shaken some theories in a 340-page volume of the official war history, dealing with the Home Front.

They come out with an emphatic No. 1 for instance, against the idea that there was a general lowering of moral standards and break-up of family life.

Mrs Sheila Ferguson and Mrs Hilda Fitzgerald are the authors of "Studies in the Social Services," published by H.M. Stationery Office last week.

On the subject of family life it is shown that despite all the trials and tribulations of war, women were more ready to have babies than in peace-time, and according to this important piece of evidence it could be said that family life was strong in war-time.

NO DRINK PROBLEM

Again: "The social stability of families as a whole was, under the circumstances remarkable. To take one small indication: alcohol is one of the recognised ways of drowning sorrow. A social history of the first world war could hardly have avoided mentioning the drink problem.

"In the second world war, however there was never a drink problem. Personal expenditure on drink at 1939 prices fell during the war years even when expenditure of foreign troops in the United Kingdom was allowed. Convictions for drunkenness fell by more than half between 1938 and 1944."

The authors give the "astounding fact" that among mothers under the age of 25 the percentage of irregularly conceived maternities during the whole of the war was lower than in 1938-39.

"Nearly an astonishing," they say, was a substantial rise in irregular maternities among older women.

In the 25-30 age group the average for war-babies exceeded the pre-war level by 24 per cent; at ages 30-35 by 41 per cent; at 35-40 by 10 per cent; and at 40-45 by 20 per cent.

NEW TYPE

For this behaviour of the older women the investigators have no explanation.

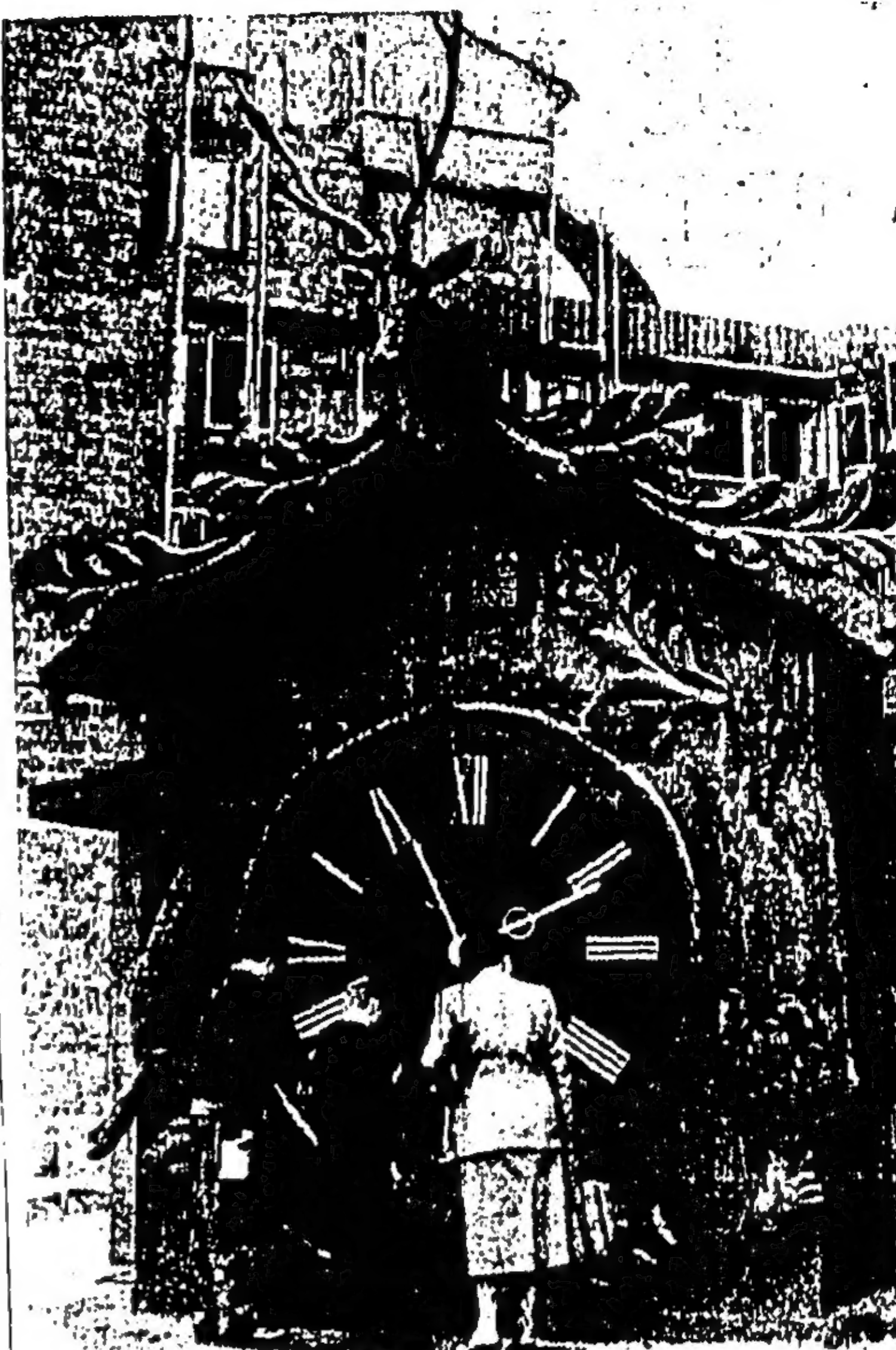
"Is it, in some form, connected with the extraordinary rise in the popularity of marriage which has been such a feature in Western Europe during recent decades?" they ask.

"Or has the explanation to be sought in different levels of knowledge about birth control among younger and older unmarried women?"

They also draw attention to the fact that some of the unmarried mothers of the war were of a "new type." Their spirit of independence was considerable, and there was little of the sinner and the penitent about them.

However, despite their position, they declined to resort to moral welfare authorities for help because of the rigid rules and religious background.

It's A Shop Front!



This striking wood-carved shop front in the shape of a giant cuckoo clock, with an imitation clock face as the window, attracts many visitors to this clock maker's shop in Wiesbaden, Germany.—Express Photo.

America Plans To Set Up Antarctic Camps

New York, May 11.

The U.S. Government is planning an expedition to the South Pole. It may become the biggest yet Antarctic exploration.

It will take many months before the plans are completed and ships assembled.

Officials say it is intended to establish at least three major, and perhaps permanent, camps in the Antarctic. One camp, for weather and magnetic observations, will be at the Pole itself.

It is not known yet who will lead the expedition, although Admiral Richard Byrd, who has the greatest Antarctic experience, may be chosen. Admiral Byrd has said on several occasions that he would be willing to go.

THE NAVY'S INTEREST

While the reason given for the expedition is that the U.S. desire to establish weather observatories there, it is believed that there are also vital strategic factors.

The Navy Department are working with the State Department in the plans, although no warships will be sent.

The Navy's interest has been stimulated by realisation that both Suez and Panama Canals could be blocked more easily than ever with the advent of the hydrogen bomb.

If they were blocked, many ships would have to sail round the Cape of Good Hope and Cape Horn. It would be necessary to have control of the sea and air.

It is understood that the U.S. are eager to co-ordinate their plans with those of the British, Australian and French Governments.

—(London Express Service)

Music "In The Air" For Patients

London.

There is music in the air for patients in a ward at Worthing Hospital. But not a wire can be seen, and no sound is heard by anyone walking through the ward.

When a patient wants to listen he clips into his ears an instrument like a miniature top half of a doctor's stethoscope. It weighs 2oz.

No wires run from it, and there is no switch to operate. Yet the patient hears perfectly a BBC programme.

"CLEVER TRICK? NO"

The instrument— invented by Mr Victor Foot, a Putney radio engineer — is an ultra-sensitive "stethophone," which can pick up, directly through space, electromagnetic vibrations.

Ordinary radio and amplifying equipment is used. But instead of a loudspeaker or network of earphones the output is fed into a loop of thick aluminium wire which surrounds the hospital ward, or wherever the equipment is to work.

For open-air systems the loop is buried in the ground. Says Mr Foot: "The biggest difficulty I have is convincing people that this is not just a clever trick, but a reliable technical achievement."

—(London Express Service)

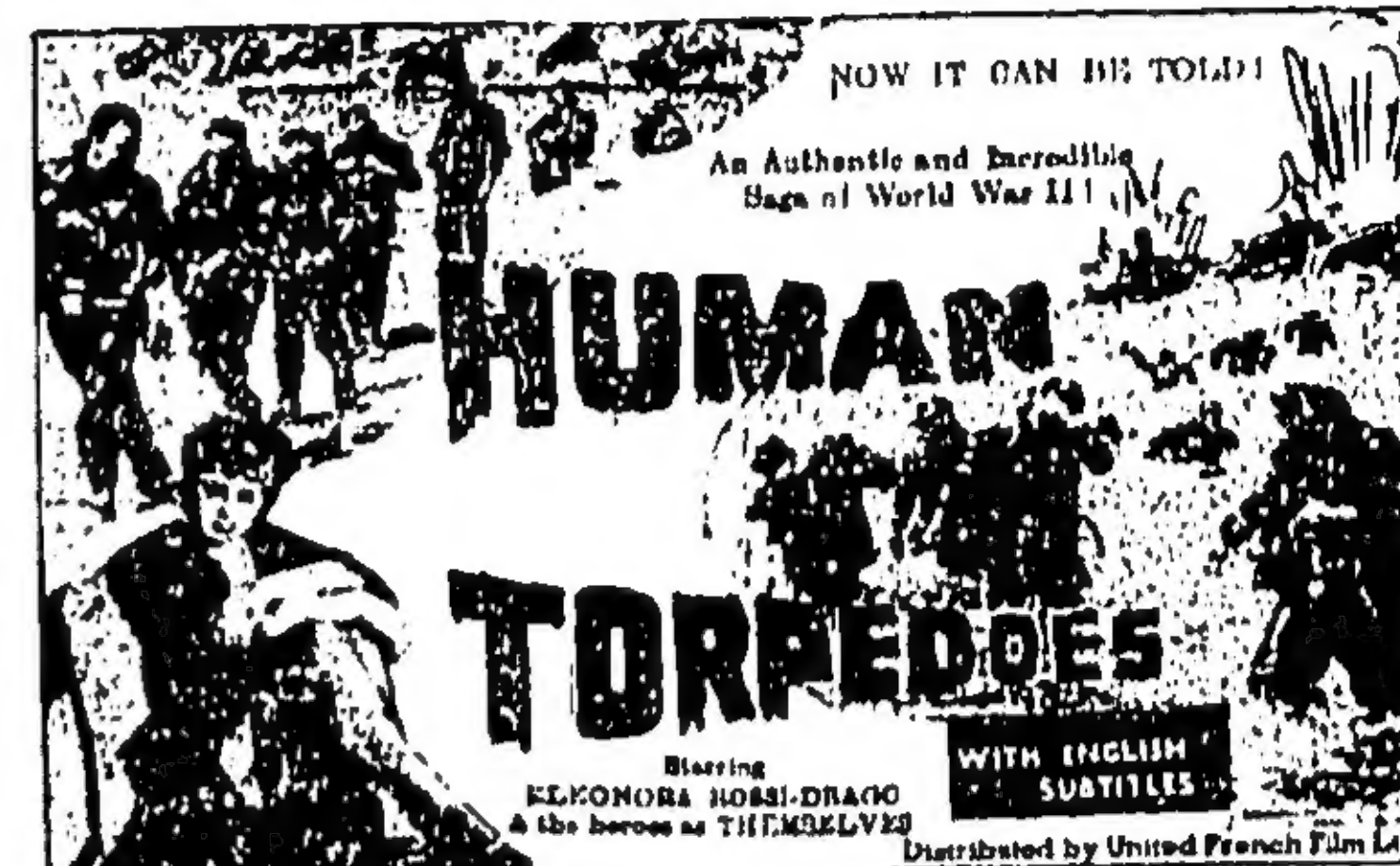
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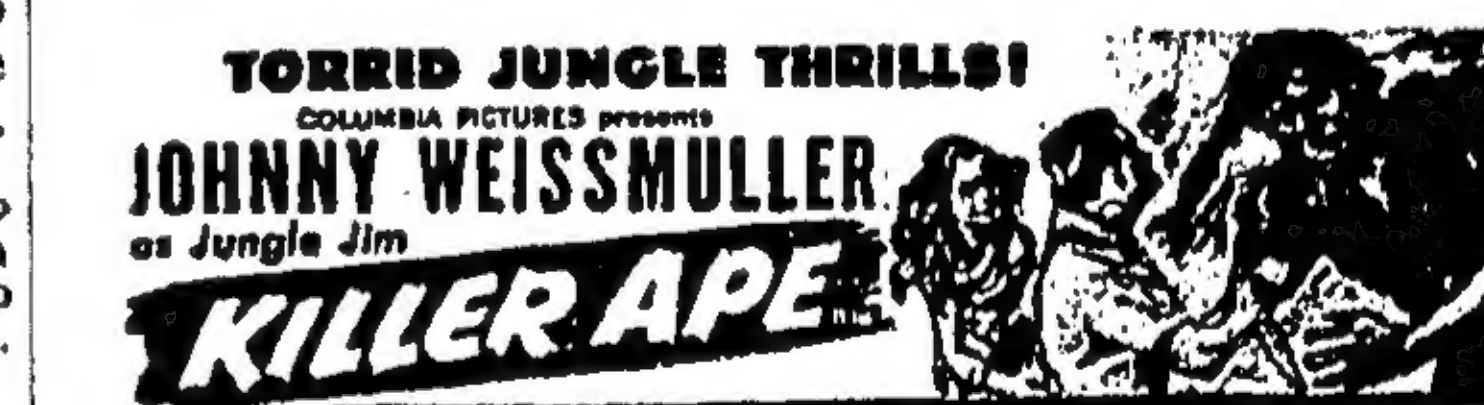
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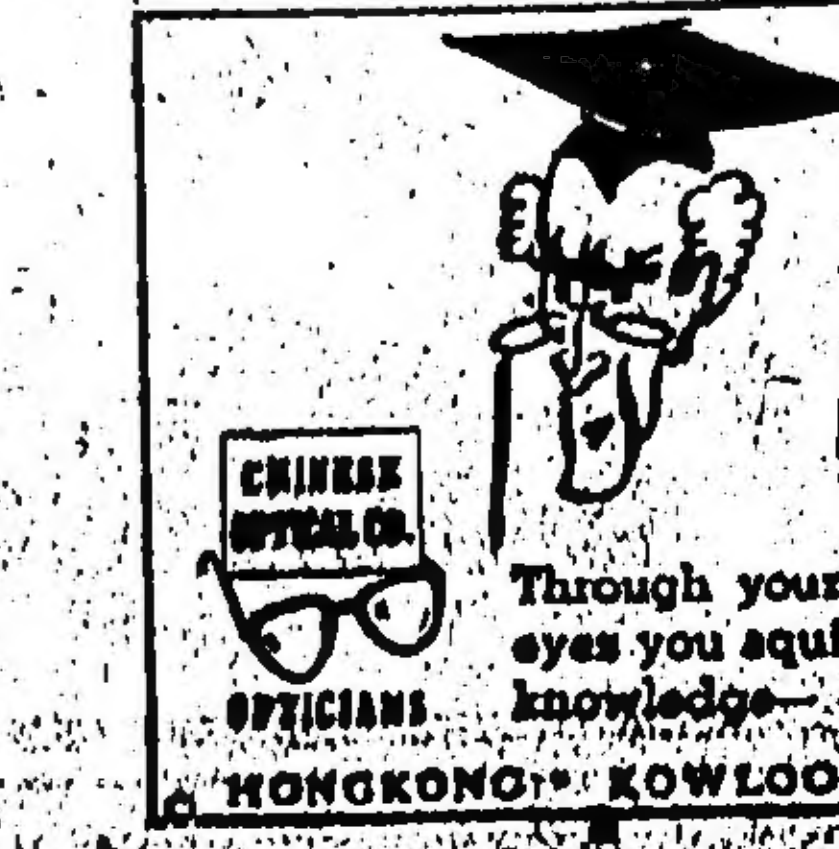
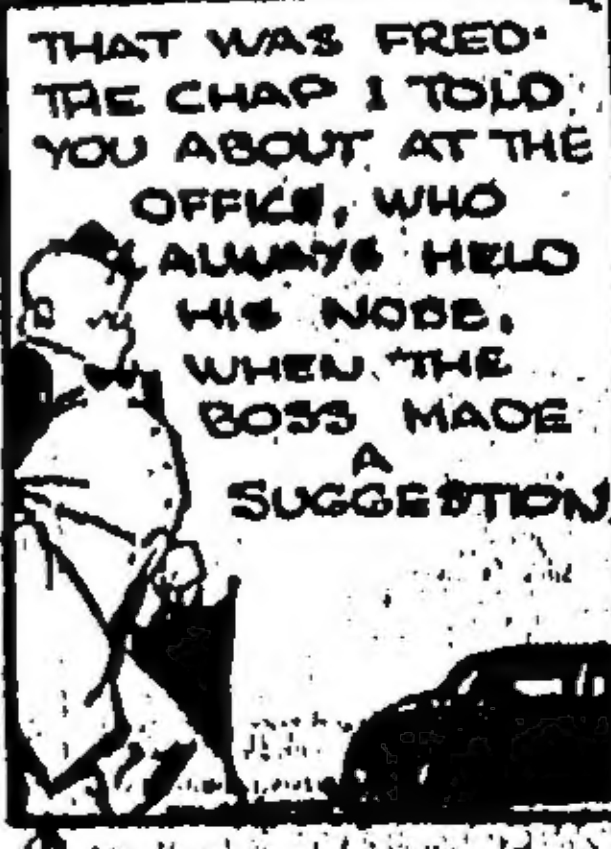


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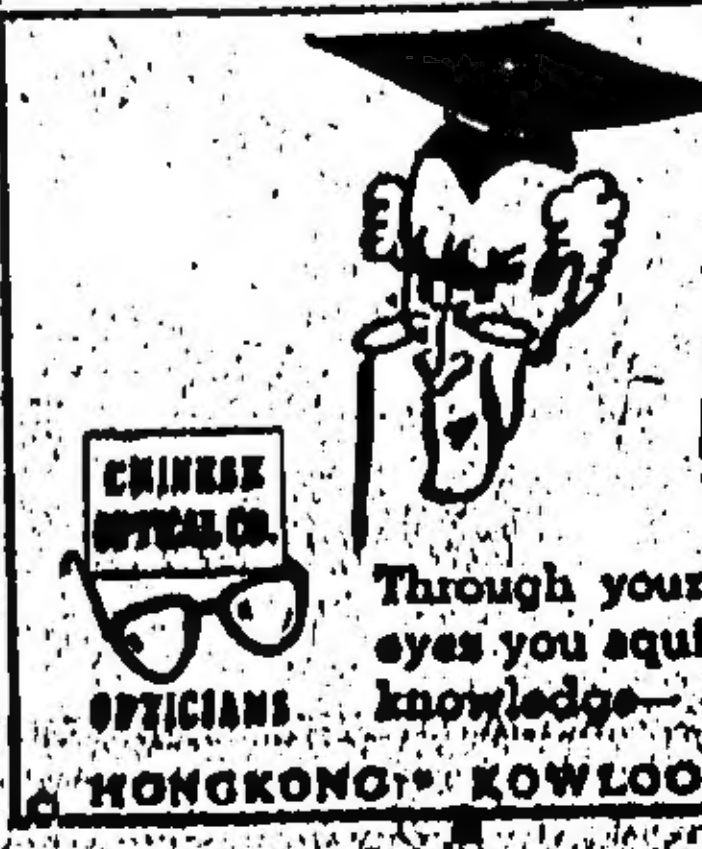
OPENS TO-MORROW! Vittorio GASSMAN in "The Captain's Daughter"



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Has America Exploded Another H-Bomb?

"SUDDEN TREMENDOUS SUNRISE" SEEN BY AIRLINE PILOT AT NIGHT

Sharp Increase In Radioactivity Reported In Osaka Rain Storm

Washington, May 11.

United States scientists might have exploded a fourth test H-bomb at its Bikini-Eniwetok proving ground in the Marshall Islands.

The Atomic Energy Commission so far has announced only three explosions in the test series which started on March 1. The last officially reported test explosion was on April 6.

But the crew of a Pan-American World Airways plane has reported from Hongkong a strange incident of May 1 which suggested that another bomb might have been tested on that date.

On the night of May 1, while they were flying toward Manila from the United States, the crew members saw "what looked like a sudden tremendous sunrise." Their estimates fixed the origin of the night-time "sunrise" in the Marshall Islands.

Don't Worry About Space Suits Yet!

Chicago, May 11.

A noted nuclear scientist, Dr. Harold C. Urey, the discoverer of heavy water, said today: "don't get ready to buy a space suit just yet."

"There will never be enough interplanetary travel to speak of, due to the accompanying dangers and because life as we know it does not exist except on earth," he said.

Dr. Urey, University of Chicago chemist and a pioneer in the development of the atomic bomb, took a look at the future of space travel on the night of May 1.

The forecast will be placed in the current issue of a new building the firm is constructing.

Dr. Urey said that the trend already was toward casual clothing and a more comfortable, unbuttoned, and easy-to-wear style, including the "light collar" and "short sleeve" shirt. He said that the trend would be toward a more casual style, "the kind of the sheep and the goat" and the "goat" and "sheep" style, which would be a time way back in those barbaric days of 1904.

But he warned that the atomic age would produce "chaos" and that the "well-dressed man of the future" might wear "homemade materials."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3 Locks of hair (8).
8 Protective headgear (8).
9 Lays (8).
10 Scattered (8).
12 Continued pain (4).
13 Excludes (6).
14 Valleys (4).
22 Interfered with (8).
24 Servant (8).
26 Disinclined (6).
28 Unvaried sound (8).

DOWN

1 Form (6).
2 Blazed up (6).
3 Diminished (7).
4 Detail (4).
5 Excellent (4).
6 Show clearly (6).
7 Near relative (6).
10 Part of a flower (5).
14 Shift (6).
15 Caution (7).
16 Kind of clock (6).
17 German (6).
20 Tempest (6).
21 Larks (6).
22 Aromatic plant (4).
23 Spure (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Cannibal, 7 Latch, 8 Attained, 10 Orator, 13 Deposed, 15 Rise, 17 Minutes, 18 Curator, 20 Oral, 21 Recants, 26 Cheese, 27 Obdurate, 28 Anvil, 29 Reminder. Down: 1 Flood, 2 Strip, 3 Chaos, 4 Neat, 5 Bandit, 6 Ledger, 9 Tremor, 11 Recur, 12 Total, 14 Direct, 16 Rupture, 18 Scold, 19 Colour, 19 Random, 22 Shear, 23 Nerve, 24 Bells, 25 Iron.

Chinese Spokesman Reads Chou En-lai's Statement At Geneva



Chou En-lai's important statement made at the Geneva Conference is read out by Yung Kang Peng (left) during the first Chinese press conference. On right is the interpreter who translated the speech into English.—Express Photo.

Police Arrest Candidates

Opposition Party Allege "Interference" In Korean Electioneering

Seoul, May 11.

The Chairman of the South Korean National Assembly and leader of the official opposition party, Mr. P. H. Shinicky, told Reuter tonight that his party's candidates were meeting police interference "in almost every direction". South Korea's first postwar National Assembly election will be held on May 20.

Mr. Shinicky said conditions in his own constituency were "very bad". Police pressure was being brought to bear on electors to support only President Syngman Rhee's Liberal Party candidates.

"If on the eve of election there is no guarantee of free election, all opposition party candidates will withdraw. We will boycott the election. But now we are fighting and fighting hard."

A Western diplomat told Reuter: "We have good reason to believe that the police are being used, particularly in the country areas to hinder campaigning of opposition and independent candidates. There is nothing we can do about it."

The six members United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea will observe the election and report to the United Nations.

The same diplomat said the Commission was too small to get a clear picture of the election in a country the size of Korea. United States officials are taking a "hands-off" attitude. One United States representative is reportedly to have said: "We are committed to support President Rhee. We do not condone these practices but neither can we publicly condemn them."

Some American officials with China experience have commented on Dr. Rhee with President Chiang Kai-shek. One said: "We did not give our wholehearted support to Chiang and China was lost to the free world. We must stand by Rhee."

MIGHT LOSE

Political observers say in a completely free election, the President's party would stand a good chance of losing its majority to the opposition party (Democratic Nationalist Party) and independent candidates. The Liberal Party has aroused re-

An American Leases Magna Carta Island

London.

An American is taking over Magna Carta Island in the Thames at Runnymede, where King John is said to have signed the charter of English liberties.

Buckinghamshire County Council announced that they have granted a 14-year lease to Miss Alberta Catherine Bigelow, an American authoress.

The island was bought by the County Council and the National Trust to preserve it from buildings. The difficulty has been in finding someone willing to live in the seven-bedroom, early 18th-century house and keep up its grounds.

The island was advertised at a rental of £300 a year. Dozens went to look but hardly any one wanted to buy.

Along came Miss Bigelow. Almost at once she decided to take the lease. Now Buckinghamshire County Council have agreed.

Last week residents of nearby Weymouth were asking: "Who is Miss Bigelow?"

She is not known in the district, most of the negotiations have been made through solicitors, and a County Council official said: "We do not know where she is at present."

He added: "We understand she is going to live there very soon. Beyond that we have not a great deal of knowledge about her."

The island house contains the Charter Room—said to mark the spot where the Charter was signed in 1215. Historians, though, differ on the exact location of the meeting. Some say it was in a Runnymede field.

Mr Dulles's View Of Honduras Strike

Washington, May 11.

The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, at his news conference today, said there were indications that the general strike of United Fruit Company workers in Honduras was not entirely a domestic phenomenon.

Mr. Dulles pointed to the fact that the strike had occurred in an area in Honduras where three Guatemalan consuls were recently posted and then asked to leave by the Honduran authorities.

Asked to comment on the week-old strike which has idled some 25,000 Honduran employees of the United Fruit Company in North Honduras, Mr. Dulles said, "indications were that the so-called strike was not entirely a domestic phenomenon."

He said there was at least an interesting coincidence in the fact that the strike occurred principally in an area to which the Guatemalan Government recently sent three consuls.

Mr. Dulles then recalled that the consuls were subsequently recalled at the request of the Honduran Government for alleged activities not in the best interest of Honduras.—United Press.

KOREAN TALKS AT GENEVA STILL DEADLOCKED

Geneva, May 11.

The continued East-West deadlock over Korea was further emphasised during today's resumed debate at the Geneva 19-nation conference in the view of most delegates.

The deadlock has existed almost since North and South Korea made their opening statements on the first working day of the conference two weeks ago.

Both sides are now privately admitting that this is an intractable problem and that no concessions short of a sacrifice of principles by either side will narrow the gap.

The South Korean Foreign Minister, Mr. Pyun Yung Tot, today moved slightly towards a compromise on the election issue by proposing that the North Koreans should join in the South Korean election due on May 20.

But this was hardly a serious proposal in the view of many delegates. Not only did it ignore the refusal of the Communist North to accept United Nations supervision of elections, but in the extremely unlikely event of its being considered by the opposing regime, it allowed them only nine days in which to organise a poll.

The United Nations side had been hoping that South Korea would make a concession to the North by agreeing to fresh all-Korean elections held under an acceptable form of control. Mr. Pyun has maintained hitherto that since earlier elections in the South were held under United Nations observation, only a poll in the North was needed.

Diplomatic sources report that Mr. Pyun in private talks here with the American delegation has agreed to concede the point. But the conference has not yet reached a decision.

Tried To Extort Money From Jews

Dallas, Texas, May 11.

J. K. Mumford, in charge of the Dallas FBI office, ordered a full-scale investigation today to determine whether James Hollis Jones, 49, had any help in trying to extort \$200,000 from 20 of the most prominent Jews in Dallas.

FBI agents seized Jones last night when he ran down a railroad embankment near Garland to get a package, supposedly containing money he had demanded under pain of death. He fired one shot as the agents closed in, and they grabbed him before he could fire another.

"It is possible that Jones had some help," Mumford said. He ordered every available FBI agent sent to find out whether Jones had any confederates. Jones is married, but Mumford said he did not arrest his wife.—United Press.

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This Microscope Will Make A 10-Cent Piece 2 Miles Wide!

A new type of electron microscope, twice as powerful as any of its predecessors, was presented today to the Karolinska Institute of Stockholm, Sweden.

The microscope, which will permit the study of particles smaller than one ten-millionth of an inch in diameter, was developed and built by the Radio Corporation of America at Camden, New Jersey.

Oscar Thorning, Sweden's permanent delegate to the United Nations, accepted the instrument on behalf of the Institute, which received it under a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation.

Photographs taken by an automatic camera built into the instrument can be enlarged up to 200,000 times the size of the

subject. At this scale, a 10-cent piece would measure more than two miles in diameter.

The previous type of electron microscope, with which the polio virus was observed for the first time, normally provides useful enlargements only up to 100,000 times.

Only a few of the machines, which cost an estimated \$25,000, are now in use in the United States.

The Vice-President in charge of the RCA Engineering Products Division, Mr. Theodore Smith, said: "We confidently believe that the many new fea-

tures of this advanced instrument will pave the way to new knowledge to serve mankind everywhere.

"In a recent talk, Dr. Vannevar Bush, President of the Carnegie Institution, predicted that a dam is about to break and a surge forward is ready to occur in the whole field of biological research."

"We consider it a privilege to make available to science at this time a new instrument which, we hope and believe, may play an important part in implementing that forward surge."—United Press.

INTO THE WORLD AND WHIRL OF CAFE SOCIETY STEPS EVE PERRICK, ACUTEST OF COMMENTATORS ON WHAT LIES BEHIND THE SOCIAL SCENERY. IN THIS SECOND INSTALMENT OF A FASCINATING SERIES SHE ANSWERS THE QUERY:

Who Goes Where?

By EVE PERRICK

ONE of the main differences between Society (High) and Society (Cafe)—and I suppose we had better get this cleared up right away—is that the old carriage trade consisted almost exclusively of those who are; the Cafe-carrierists of those who do.

The leading question about a new entrant is never "who is he?" but "what does he do?"

Cafe sociables are busy, busy bees who somehow manage to become butterflies at night. The landed gentry are in, but they are the gentlemen who work their lands.

The night-clubbing dukes, for instance—Marlborough, Devonshire, Rutland, Leinster, and the others—have carried their commercial tail into the States. Homes 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490, 500, 510, 520, 530, 540, 550, 560, 570, 580, 590, 600, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 670, 680, 690, 700, 710, 720, 730, 740, 750, 760, 770, 780, 790, 800, 810, 820, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900, 910, 920, 930, 940, 950, 960, 970, 980, 990, 1000.

The Duchess of Kent elicits are workers, all of 'em. Douglas Fairbanks, who often makes an early exit from the party with the excuse that he has to be at the studios at 6 a.m.; conductor Sir Malcolm Sargent, Parliamentary Secretary for Civil Aviation John Profumo, and King-of-the-Castle, all-round-genius Noel Coward.

Margaret's Set

THE Margaret Set—Billy Wallace, Lord Porchester, Lord Hambledon, Lord John Manners, Mark Bonham-Carter, Hugh Fraser, M.P.—respectively "something to do with" their transport, estate, work, book, studio, industry, publishing, Parliament.

And the seriousness and intensity of these contemporary Bright Young Things put into their amateur dramas (in aid of charity) almost includes them in the "show business" section of cafe society. To make it even more professional they have now added Elsa Maxwell, the first "paid professional" cafe sociable, to the cast of their current play. She has offered £1,500 to the charity for the privilege.

Forty-four-year-old Charles Sweeney came here from America a generation ago and married Margaret Whigham, the then Deb of the Year, in 1933. As the club's long stay he probably has not had a meal at home since the marriage was dissolved seven years ago.

Laugh, Comrades, Laugh

By LES ARMOUR

London. are some kind of human beings that never eat, play, dream, or make love.

With that, straight-faced and serious, he leaned back on the rostrum of the British Communist Party National Congress, and waited for the cheers.

When Comrade Pollitt says have fun, he means have fun, and no half-hearted moping around the fun-fairs, either.

And when he says eat, he will plainly brook no meagre munching on half a ham sandwich.

As for sleeping and dreaming—well, the world will take kindly enough to that. A sleeping Communist is conceivably the best kind of Communist.

Communist love may leave the world trembling slightly. The combination is distinctly alarming. But one can rest assured that a good Communist will set to it with a will and make certain that the capitalist beasts in Hollywood are thoroughly put to shame.

New Line

Nonetheless one is inclined to suspect that the new party line will prove a dismal failure. The spectacle of a thousand Communists marching through London bearing placards demanding that we "Ban the Gloom," and suggesting "Up with Eating, Cheering for Love" is not an appealing one.

Nor would we care to attend a rousing meeting at which Mr. Pollitt will explain "Why Capitalists Never Dream."

Yet it is still possible that there are lots of chances for laughter in Communism.

The comrades might well convulse themselves with roiling glee at the sight of the Daily Worker desperately trying to climb in off a limb and get back on the party rails.

And they could doubtless roar for days when the Soviet Encyclopedia ripe out the entry listing M. Boris as "a great socialist hero of the people" and re-enters him as a "hyena-devilant wrecked and traitor."

But the line is presumably, not what Mr. Pollitt has in mind.

The Marquesa de Casa Maury, as Mrs. Frieda Dudley-Ward, was a regular member of the Prince of Wales's set, which meant she was on the topmost rung.

Her daughter Penelope, as Lady Reed, wife of the film-producing Carol, holidays on Sir Alexander Korda's yacht with the Porters, Cecil Benton, Margaret Penkyn, Roselloni and his Ingrid, which means she is now on the topmost rung.

Another Link

ON the circuit a Guinness girl has always been good for gossip. There was Tania Guinness, who once became the talk of the town when she broke off her engagement to the Earl of Carnarvon (father of Lord Porchester) to marry M.C.-M.'s song-writing advertising executive Howard Dietz.

Now there are the Guinness grand-daughters, Lady Caroline Blackwood, marrying painter Lucien Freud in a most bohemian manner, and her sister, Lady Perdita, recently working as a waitress—not in one of the smart places either. David Metcalfe, son of Major Edward "Fruity" Metcalfe, one-time A.D.C. to the Duke of Windsor, is another link between the old order and the new.

Now the newest order can be spotted, just coming over the horizon. The young Duke of Kent, after leaving from the Army, took a party of friends to a night club the other week.

It was not one of the clubs patronised by his mother or cousins, but a rather less plushy place, which he chose, he said, because he liked the rumba band there.

His uncle, when he first started the night-club habit, also chose a place where he liked the band, and where he could play the drums.

Is this where we live in?

TOMORROW: How to become a member



"One man's meat... as the saying goes, gentlemen."

—(London Express Service)

Nathaniel Gubbins

RALPH IZZARD, on the track of the Abominable Snowman, appears to think that the Snowman is not so abominable as we have been led to believe.

After following large footsteps over a distance of eight miles, he wrote:

"In doing this a fascinating picture unfolded itself of a shy, timid creature which uses man-made paths with the utmost caution, which studiously avoids contact with human beings, and is not above such antics as sliding on its rump down a snow slope."

As I was able to identify the long-toothed, long-moustached woman of Malaya as the descendant of a Mrs. Stenwater, who deserted the Earl of Gravy for Captain Stenwater at the turn of the century, and finally went native, I hope you will believe me when I reveal the identity of the Yeti, or the so-called Abominable Snowman.

First let me say that the Snowman is a Snowwoman, and her name is not Yeti but Letty.

The Hon. Letty Bursting, only daughter of Lord and Lady Bursting, was always a problem child, one of the chief problems of her parents being her rapid growth.

At 15 she was 6ft. tall, and at 16 nearly 7ft., weighing about 11st. As she grew older and even bigger the great rooms at Bursting Towers, where they lived, became too small for her, and there was a time when they considered reconstructing the ancestral home before she cracked her head through the ceiling.

As Letty was always shy and timid Lord and Lady Bursting threw her into the London social whirl as a non-swimmer is thrown into the deep end. The results were startling.

At first the lonely giantess sat in splendid isolation at dances, staring miserably at her folded hands, with her enormous feet turned inwards. Then somebody gave her a couple of snoring cocktails and Letty lumbered to her feet,

grabbed partners from other girls, trampled them almost to death and half-strangled a frail young man who tried to escape.

After that the doors of fashionable London were closed to her and she went to Switzerland, where she found her true environment. She loved snow and ice so much that it was difficult to get her indoors. It was only after she slid down the Cresta Run on her rump that the doors of fashionable Switzerland were closed to her.

It was her weary, desperate father who said: "If she likes snow so much send her to Tibet, where there's plenty of it."

So she went to Tibet and became known as The Abominable Yeti because they couldn't pronounce Letty. What happened in that land of mystery nobody knows. But she wasn't called abominable for nothing and soon the doors of fashionable Tibet were closed to her.

Letty then took to the mountains and her footprints have puzzled the world ever since. When they meet I hope Ralph Izzard will be kind to her because she must be quite an old giantess by now.

Sugarpuss And Sourpuss

THE never-ending talk about the horrors of another war, despite the fact that most leading statesmen appear to think it unlikely, is having a disastrous effect on the health of the natural pessimists, or "sourpusses," of the country. Anxiety is sometimes a contributory cause of duodenal ulcer.

Said Sugarpuss to Sourpuss, "I hate this world of sorrow."

"I wouldn't care if all the earth were blown to bits tomorrow."

Said Sugarpuss to Sourpuss, "Stop nattering this minute. The only troubles in the world are sourpusses in it."

Said Sourpuss to Sugarpuss, "I never sleep at night."

"For wondering at foolishness and putting wrongs to right. I toss and turn upon my bed and think the world's insane."

Said Sugarpuss to Sourpuss, "The spring has come again."

Said Sourpuss to Sugarpuss, "The spring again is here."

"And soon I'll wear my hiking boots and walk to Windermere."

"To see the sun upon the grass, the buttercups in bloom."

Said Sugarpuss to Sourpuss, "I hear the crack of doom."

Said Sourpuss to Sugarpuss, "How happy I shall be."

"With Thermos flask and sandwiches for just the wife and me."

"To climb the hills and tread the ways where ancient Britons ran."

Said Sourpuss to Sugarpuss, "Be happy while you can."

Said Sourpuss to Sugarpuss, "Be jolly if you must."

"Though all the lovely world you know may soon be blown to dust."

"Instead of going to Windermere you're going to King-dam Come."

But Sugarpuss he didn't go.

And Mrs. Sugar didn't go.

Though Sourpuss he nearly went, an ulcer in his tum.

How's That?

AT the risk of being called a cad by those who still believe that cricket is a gentleman's game played by 22 gentlemen with two strictly impartial gentlemen acting as umpires, here are two official laws of cricket rewritten for the next Test match between England and the West Indies.

LEG BEFORE WICKET

Old Law: The striker is out leg before wicket if with any part of his person except his hand, which is in a straight line between wicket and wicket, he intercepts the ball which has not yet touched his bat or hand and which, in the opinion of the umpire, would have hit the wicket.

New Law: If the striker is not on the umpire's side he is out if the ball strikes any part of his person wherever he may

be, except in the pavilion. For example, if the striker is likely to make a century he is out even if a wide strikes any part of his person.

On the other hand, if the striker is on the umpire's side he will not be given out l.b.w. even if he stands in front of a straight ball certain to hit his wicket and stops it with his pads. If the umpire is an uncle of the striker he will be given out only if the ball hits his middle stump.

CAUGHT

Old Law: The striker is out "caught" if the ball, from a stroke of the bat, or of the use of the hand, is held by a fieldman before it touches the ground, although it is hugged to the body of the catcher or be accidentally lodged in his dress. The fieldman must have both his feet entirely within the playing area the instant the catch is completed.

Note: This last law means that a fieldman may not go outside the boundary to catch a ball.

New Law: If the striker is on the umpire's side the striker is not out "caught" even if everybody on the field has seen or heard his bat strike the ball and the ball has been cleanly caught before striking the ground by any fieldman or the wicket-keeper.

On the other hand, if the striker is not on the umpire's side he may be out "caught" whether he hits the ball or not with his bat, hand, wrist, or any part of his person, provided always that somebody catches the ball, even if it accidentally lodges in the umpire's pants.

If he is likely to make a century close-in fieldsmen may use nets. If he is likely to make a double century anybody can catch him out beyond the boundary, even a horny-handed aunt in the grandstand.

As there is no old law about bottle throwing the new one remains in force. That is to say anybody can throw bottles at players not on the umpire's side. In desperate circumstances an umpire can throw a bottle at a bowler not on his side if he cares to take the risk of having it thrown back by a cricketer accustomed to throwing things accurately.

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Woman's Deal In Millions

New York.

EUNICE LADY OAKES, widow of Sir Harry Oakes, the mining industrialist murdered in 1943, has sold a village. Price: said to be 5,500,000 dollars (\$1,060,000).

It is Lake Park, Florida, a few miles north of fashionable Palm Beach; it has a golf club, shopping area, residential district, and small farms.

The buyer, Ralph Stoklin, a Chicago businessman, plans to develop the village for elderly people who retire to sunny Florida on pensions.

Lady Oakes, a blue-eyed Australian (her son Sir Sydney is named after her home city) with fair, graying hair, is accustomed to big deals.

Her husband taught her to be a business woman, put her on the boards of his companies, made her sole executrix of his vast estate, and left her \$3,070,000 tax-free—half for herself, half in trust for the five children.

ON UNO's removal of a ban against smoking in council halls, the World Telegram says: "Now tobacco is being used there in almost every form except a pipe of peace."

RICH POCKETS of uranium have been found 35 miles north of Broadway, in the Hudson River Valley hills, which resemble the South Downs of Sussex.

In all 34 claims, totalling 1,350 acres, had been filed.

ASTRONOMERS in the U.S. have just seen an explosion on the sun. They say the hydrogen cloud rose 1,000,000 miles.

INVESTIGATION: Attorney-General Herbert Brownell announces a Government inquiry to decide whether the Detroit motor-car industry is a monopoly or engages in secret price fixing or other unlawful cartel practices. He says the Government insists on competition in basic industries.

GUIDEPHONES (walkie-talkies) are being worn by visitors to five halls of New York's Museum of Natural History. While they look at the animal exhibits the portable radios give them talks through earphones on what they are seeing.

ALL too often parents fail to teach children to be good citizens, J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (the Scotland Yard of the U.S.), said.

He was commenting on the fact that last year 257,000 young people—mostly under 21—were arrested.

"For them home becomes a place in which to sleep, eat a few bites and change clothes," went on Mr. Hoover.

Harvard psychologist Donald Sears also has views on bringing up children. He says:—

"Fathers should spank daughter and mother should spank son. Girls suffer more mentally if mother spans them, boys if father spans them."

"Spankings the other way round leave lasting emotional scars."

AFTER DIEN BIEN PHU—WHAT NOW?

By James Wickenden

SCIENCE fiction has a parable for the Indo-China war.

In a current best-seller "The Kraken Wakes" only Doctor Alastair Bocker realised that to stop the Krakens—aggressive monsters of the deep sea—ordinary methods were inadequate.

It seemed to the doctor that man thought too much of delivering or resisting missiles, principally the atomic bomb. But the Krakens thought in vaster more subtle terms.

With nuclear energy they melted the polar ice and flooded the world.

In the East the Communists also have let loose an all-embracing offensive. To meet it the West needs an equally thorough master-plan. But all the West has in hand is a crude form of "missile": the Navarin Plan.

This Plan was accepted at the end of last year by the great Powers, and had a simple object. General Navarin was to smash the Vietnam and clear up the whole of Indo-China—in two

years, while building Vietnamese take-over forces.

But at Dien Bien Phu, the Communists applied just enough pressure to check the Navarin Plan. At the same time, the French contained most of Ho Chi-minh's mechanised forces and artillery and prevented an all-out communist attack on the Red River delta.

So Dien Bien Phu has brought stalemate—but a stalemate of overall gain to the Communists.

NO OFFICERS

For the West, the simple remedy for the hold-up would have been to stop-up the Navarin Plan. But the Communist

They were cunning enough to see that it was impossible for the West to boost the Plan.

The French can provide no more officers. The latest casualty figures show that twice as many officers are dying than France turns out.

So the Navarin Plan could only continue with the intervention of American forces. In Indo-China's mist-shrouded

ridges only a great modern army can hope for mastery.

The Communists realised another Western deficiency. America had the troops, but there was no agreement on their use; the West has its "missiles" but lacks the master view to aim them.

The realisation of these Western deficiencies was the basis of Communist strategy.

Now behind the scenes at Geneva a master-view of the Indo-China war is being sought. Several crucial points are under discussion.

In future the French can only sensibly fight for a clear-cut battle-line round the Red River delta. They could try for this when the rains end in October, and it might form the line for de facto partition.

If Ho Chi-minh is not a puppet of China and if the Chinese will be content with a buffer state, perhaps partition is safe.

But will China be content with that?

If the new state becomes a Communist jumping-off point, how far would the Asian states

following neutralist. Nehru allow Communism to expand before allying themselves with the West?

In the long run the problem, at Geneva and afterwards is to find a line on the map where all free countries agree that Communism must be stopped.

Unfortunately geography favours Chinese-sponsored expansion.

Indo-China is pinched in against the mountains of China west of the Red River delta. There, in no-man's land, communications between China and the south go through a bottle neck.

HUGE PROBLEM

But once the Communists controlled this "throat" of Asia, an anti-Communist barrier would have to be stretched over great distances.

Although the main routes run down Indo-China's bulging coast many trails climb over the

Thai mountains into the plateau of west Cambodia and the dry zone of north Siam.

These facts expose one of the huge problems in creating an effective SEATO, the Asian equivalent of NATO.

The further south that SEATO's front line was drawn, the longer it would have to be, until the Kra Isthmus below Siam were reached.

The other problem is to enlist Siamese and Burmese support for SEATO. Indian support would be a key to success in an Asian front.

But it appears as if India would let Communism expand much further before saying "far enough." By that time the line to defend would be vast, and the forces required would be as great as those deployed in Europe.

Even partition of Indo-China will require an anti-Communist front to guarantee the border of the new state.

Eventually a lasting settlement in Indo-China will be an unpleasant acceptance of military realities. But these realities are far from being defined, and the strongest probability is for the war to go on until they are.

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♣ Q42		♣ 10762	♣ KJ5
SOUTH (D)		Both sides vul.	
♠ A93		♠ A93	
♥ AJS		♥ AJS	
♦ 762		♦ 762	
♣ AKJ3		♣ AKJ3	
South West North East		Pass Pass Pass Pass	
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By OSWALD JACOBY

HOW should South play for his ninth trick in today's hand? He begins with eight tricks in top cards and needs only one additional trick to make his contract.

West opened the dealer's hand, spades, and East followed with the king of spades. What should South do next?

When the hand was actually played, dealer played a low diamond and East followed with the queen of diamonds. What should South do next?

Declarer finessed the jack of hearts but West won with the king. West retained the nine of hearts and was allowed to hold the trick. He continued with his last heart, forcing out South's ace.

South next cashed the top diamonds, hoping that the suit would break 3-2. It didn't. Declarer cashed his four club tricks, discarding a diamond from the dummy. He then led a spade toward the dummy, hoping that West had the king.

As it turned out, East had the king of spades and was then able to take the setting trick with the last heart.

The correct line of play is very easy to find, as Frank Perkins points out in his excellent collection of hands, *Vital Tricks*. East played the jack of spades at the first trick, thereby indicating that he didn't have the ten. South can therefore develop a trick by leading a spade at an early stage and finessing dummy's eight of spades.

A careful declarer would probably cash the four club tricks first, discarding a heart from dummy, since the opponents might immediately have trouble in finding safe discards.

South should continue by finessing dummy's eight of spades. If, by some mischance, this play fails, South will still be in position to try a diamond finesse later on.

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West
1 Heart Pass 2 Diamonds Pass
3 Clubs Pass

You, South, hold: Spades K-10-9, Hearts 8-2, Diamonds K-Q-J-8-5, Clubs K-3-2. What do you do?

A—Bid three no-trump. You have a good stopper in spades, with prospects of a second stopper if partner has any honour. You prefer to try for a cheap game at no-trump rather than an eleven-trick game at clubs.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered.

You, South, hold: Spades 8-6-2, Hearts K-J-2, Diamonds K-Q-J-8-5, Clubs K-2. What do you do?

Answer tomorrow

CHess PROBLEM

By T. ANDERSSON
Black, 7 pieces.

White, 13 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Q-K2, any; 2. Q, K (dis ch) or K2 mates.



"Now look here, Butler, I'm a busy man! I can't have you popping in and out of here every day asking for a raise!"

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

BORN today, you have an exceptionally active mind and you go through life questioning everything with a view to finding out as much as you can about everything that happens out only to yourself, but to others.

Your nervous energy is greater than your physical stamina and consequently you work by fits and starts as a rule. You will wear yourself out one day and do absolutely nothing the next. You seem to live on excitement and activity. When you are not fanatically for something, then the real reason of life is missing for you. The selection of a marriage partner is of the utmost importance, for if you find someone who can keep you steady and on the mark at all times, then you have a much better chance of becoming successful. Otherwise you may become merely a person of many potential talents and ideas, but lacking in effectiveness.

Among those who were born on this date are: the elder Henry Cabot Lodge, statesman; Florence Nightingale, nurse; Lincoln Ellsworth, explorer; and Frank Crane, author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 20). Plans long in the making may come to a satisfactory conclusion today. Be ready to act immediately.

Gemini (May 21-June 20). Make your intentions absolutely clear when giving directions to another and there can be no trouble.

Cancer (June 21-July 20). Polish up your secret ambition! You may have a chance to make your dreams come true.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 22). Many opportunities may come your way. Be discriminating as possible. Make the very best choice.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). False promises could all too easily lead you along the wrong road, so be highly careful!

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22). If you are waiting for someone, don't wait just the day to find exactly what you need.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21). Take an optimistic outlook on life and you will find that the job moves along faster than usual.

BY THE WAY

By Beachcomber

I SHOULD have thought—and you would, too, pestilent reader, if you are honest with yourself—that fish would be unlikely to suffer from sunstroke. But it is not so. A professor has found fish suffering from this unpleasant malady.

So if any ladies would like to form a circle, and to meet once a week and make little sunbaths for fishes, will they please write to Commodore F. W. Hulstrod (Caretaker's Office), Gasworks Road, Piddham. They will receive in return Mrs. Welsford's instructions for making straw bonnets for sharks.

Alone with nature

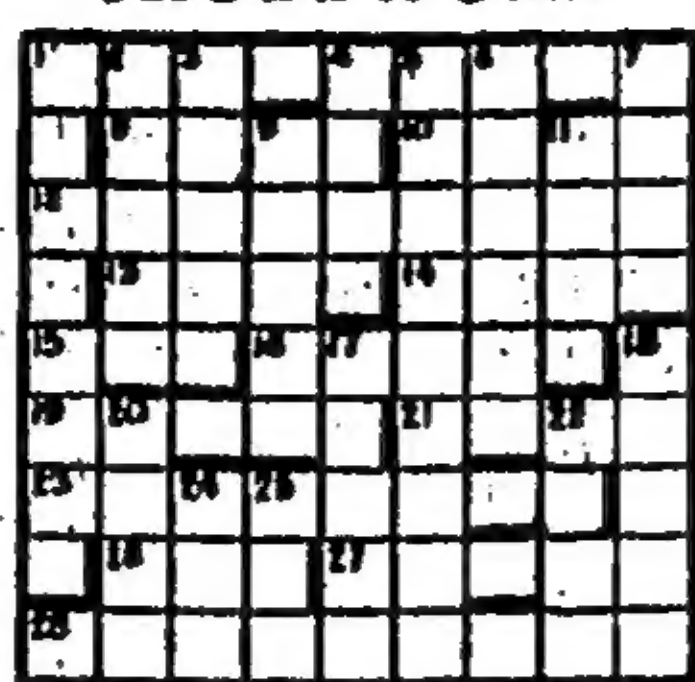
HOW cunningly the little breasted bird builds her nest in a clump of monkshood or bakers' twine! Presently the eggs will hatch, and out will step the tiny progeny, cheeping, as though to the manner born, for such dainties as the mother-bird may forage for them: celery fly, water-ant, or boll-sphaler. Lurking in the horse-flax by the old millpond, she pours forth her song, a cascade of silver melody: "Wugga-wugga-wugga-garoo-o-o-o." Meanwhile, her mate, strutting among the tall phloxes, preens his mottled back. A sudden "bock-bock-bock" from the dense muckwort announces danger. The "boer-er-er" takes refuge 'mid the branches of a Lithuanian maple.

Hogwash the pioneer

HOGWASH looks like being the first man to produce a spectacular Central African film on loc. He is sending a unit to the Wombombo territory. Elephants will stampede on the thickest ice ever used, but holes will be left in the surface for crocodiles to slip through. It will be the story of how a drunken ivory-trader is saved by the love of a white school teacher from Dallas. She is captured by head-hunters, but the ivory-trader skates to the rescue. The foolish inhabitants have lit a huge bonfire. They danced round it, screaming. But the heat melts the ice, and they are all drowned.

* Enclosing five stamped envelopes, and a postal order for eleven shillings and eightpence.

CROSSWORD



Across

- This set is odd. (8)
- It follows tick in the old rhyme. (4)
- Unlucky United Nations District Officer. (4)
- One charmed the fair-haired one. (3, 6)
- Wheats—-but not for the pure. (3)
- Canada I win, tells you. (4)
- Paris without the P. (3)
- Something sinister seems around when people move like this. (6)
- Stuntist looks like a singer's delight. (6)
- British C. (4)
- E.W. Wright (anag.). (3, 6)
- Civil war general to Americans. (3)
- Disparaging—a den. (3)
- France a mistake in the middle. (9)

Down

- Get into this and you may need cooling off. (8, 6)
- Inside... A blue lagoon? (8)
- Lower around for the spider. (6)
- Spread out. (4)
- He gives pass marks, or more. (6)
- Across to the north-east? (10)
- A mathematical point. (4)
- It goes after the fox. (6)
- An office worker is tied to his. (4)
- Light opera man. (8)
- Ad. Do your physical jerks! (6)
- Apply a rowing eye. (4)
- Here a sheep by return. (3)
- Willie Win- (3)

Today's solution

Across: 1. ODD, 2. TICK, 3. UNLUCKY, 4. CHARMED, 5. WHEATS, 6. CANADA, 7. PARIS, 8. SOMETHING, 9. STUNTIST, 10. BRITISH, 11. E.W. WRIGHT, 12. CIVIL, 13. DISPARAGING, 14. FRANCE.

Down: 1. COOLING, 2. LAGOON, 3. SPIDER, 4. SPREAD, 5. MARKS, 6. NORTH-EAST, 7. POINT, 8. FOX, 9. WORKER, 10. OPERA, 11. PHYSICAL, 12. SHEEP, 13. WILLIE WIN.

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DUMB BELLS



WE CAN CANE SLEEP THE FIRST FEW NIGHTS!

WOMANSENSE

A Paris Creation for Evening



"MOULIN ROUGE," a striking evening ensemble in tulle by Maggy Rouff and seen in the recent Paris shows.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Scratching of floors with table or chair legs can be prevented by waxing the feet of the furniture at the same time the floor is waxed.

A cleaning aid you can make: A soap brushlet to keep water from running down your hands and arms while you wash walls or ceilings. Just wrap a folded strip of old towel around your wrist and use a rubber band to hold it in place.

To remove stubborn stains from the sink, rub spots with a paste made of cream of tartar and peroxide.

Laundry experts say that synthetic detergents usually will get dikes, woollens and nylons cleaner than soap, but soap works better on elastic, cotton, linen and rayon.

Proper Foods Can Keep You Young

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

A RECENT United States government survey conducted among a thousand city homemakers showed their food averaged 1,700 calories a day. If properly divided, into three balanced meals a day, (one of them a good breakfast), and each containing a generous serving of protein food, 1,700 calories up to 2,000 do not tend to "put on weight." In the majority of cases, it is kitchen-lust for meats, "refreshments" and late evening snacks that are responsible for overweight.

DEFICIENCIES

The common nutritional deficiencies in the food regimes of these women were calcium and riboflavin.

However, both of these elements are easy to include, for they are present in milk of all kinds—fluid, evaporated, butter-milk and fresh or dried skin milk; also in liver, kidneys, dried, Brewer's yeast, wheat germ, prunes, fish, dried beans and peas, eggs, beet greens, spinach and other foods.

A minimum daily amount of riboflavin is supplied by a choice of one medium serving of liver or kidneys; or one 8 oz. glass whole milk, plus a generous serving of beet greens; or an egg and a serving of stewed prunes. These combinations don't necessarily have to be served in the same meal.

And why all this talk about riboflavin? Because the right use encourages youthful characteristics and a radiant prime of life.

DINNER

Grapefruit Juice
Tuna-Macaroni Loaf
Escallop Tomato Carrots
Tossed Kraut Salad
Nutmeg Cup Custards
Coffee Tea Milk

This menu uses the following foods in good supply: grapefruit juice, tuna, macaroni, tinned tomato, carrots, sauerkraut and eggs (for custards).

All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve 4 to 6

Tuna-Macaroni Loaf: Cook 8 oz. high-protein macaroni until tender in 4 c. boiling water containing 1 tsp. salt. The liquid should be absorbed. Drain only if necessary. Next drain 1 (7 oz.) tin solid-pack tuna and flake with a fork. Add to the macaroni, together with 1 pt. milk, 3 slightly beaten eggs, 2 tbsp. minced chives, 1½ tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. paprika and ¼ c. drained pickle relish.

Transfer to an oiled 9x5x3-in. loaf pan. Place in a pan of hot water. Bake 1 hr. in a moderate oven, 350° F., or until firm. Let stand 10 min. but keep warm. Unmould on a large platter. Garnish of parsley and thin-sliced cooked carrots.

TRICK OF THE CHEF

For a pop-up cocktail, combine equal parts sauerkraut and tomato juice, and season with Worcestershire sauce.

Don't Think You're "Just" A Housewife!

Memphis, Tenn.

KEEPING house is a noble profession. A judge has so ruled. The opinion of Circuit Judge Harry Adams came after Mrs. George Rust, a juror, identified herself to an attorney as "just a housewife."

When the case was ended Judge Adams stopped Mrs. Rust in the corridor.

"What did you say your occupation was?" he asked.

"Housewife," Mrs. Rust replied.

"That's not the way you put it in reply to attorney's questions," Adams reminded her.

"You said, 'just a housewife.' Like it was an unimportant job."

"Why, housewives have a big, important job. And it's a full-time job, too, because they're kept busy all the time,"—United Press.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

McSnooze is Certainly Sleepy!

—He Couldn't Find a Place to Take a Nap—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, found Pixie McSnooze sitting in front of O'Cheer Hall at the foot of the Old Oak. He was yawning and stretching and stretching and yawning. But this wasn't unusual for Pixie McSnooze who was certainly the sleepiest Pixie in the world.

After yawning and stretching several more times and rubbing his eyes with his fists, Pixie McSnooze suddenly noticed Knarf and Hanid.

Drowsy Greeting

"Hi," he said in a drowsy voice, "I'm certainly sleepy!"

"You're always sleepy, dear," said Hanid.

"Today," said Pixie McSnooze, "I'm sleepier than I am when I'm usually sleepy." Saying this, Pixie McSnooze yawned again and would have curled up and gone to sleep in Hanid's lap except that Hanid gave him a shake or two and kept him awake.

"Why are you sleepier today than you usually are?" Knarf wanted to know.

"It's a long story," Pixie McSnooze said. "I'm sure I can't stay awake long enough to tell it. But I'll try my best."

Then Pixie McSnooze began his story:

No Regular Nap

"It's all because I wasn't able to take my regular afternoon nap," he said. "And I wasn't able to take my afternoon nap because of a lot of very strange things that kept happening one after the other. Now, as a rule, I take my afternoon nap in the afternoon. But today I decided to take it early, so I started taking my afternoon nap in the morning. Well, I looked around for a good place to take my nap in, and the first place I found was the inside of a blue

morning-glory. I curled up inside of it and shut my eyes and was just beginning my nap when a burble bee came along, looking for honey. I guess he mistook me for a lump of honey. Anyway, the humble bee's legs tickled me and woke me up. So I had to look for another place to take a nap in."

"Where did you go then?" asked Knarf.

"Then," said Pixie McSnooze, "I climbed up to the apple tree and squeezed myself inside one of the apples. Pretty soon I fell asleep. Suddenly I began to feel warm... and warmer... and warmer!"

"My goodness!" said Hanid. "What happened?"

"I woke up to find myself being baked inside a baked apple!" said Pixie McSnooze. "So I jumped up and jumped into a tall, empty dish that was standing on a table in the next room of the house where the lady had tried to bake me inside an apple. I was nice and cool and dark at the bottom of the tall dish so I shut my eyes again and started my nap.

Lots of Places

"But suddenly, I was covered with cold water and a long thorny stem came sticking into me. I jumped out at once."

"Oh," said Knarf. "You were trying to take a nap in a flower vase!"

"Yes," said Pixie McSnooze, "that's right. And I tried lots of other places after that. I



Pixie McSnooze was sitting at the foot of the Old Oak.

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tried to take a nap in the coal bin and I woke up in the fire!

I tried to take a nap on the carpet and I was swept out of the house! I tried to take a nap inside a pair of shoes and I was almost crushed by a foot.

I crept inside a clock and shut my eyes. Then a big weight came down and hit me on the head. I went to sleep in a pile of rags and woke up high up in the sky!"

"How did you get there?" asked Hanid in astonishment.

"I was on the tail of a kite," said Pixie McSnooze. "It's no use," he said, yawning and stretching once more. "I just can't take my afternoon nap any more today!"

"You'll have to wait until tonight," said Hanid, "which is when everybody sleeps."

"I guess so," said Pixie McSnooze. And he nodded sadly.

Rupert and The Lost Cuckoo—18



While Rupert has been speaking several more animals have appeared and now, without hesitating, they move a little distance away and stand in a solemn circle. "I wish, I could hear what they are saying," murmurs Rupert. "They don't all agree."



seem a bit pleased to see me." He sits down to wait and at length most of the others hurry away to the lake leaving one who approaches Rupert. "We have decided to ask our Captain about you," it says, "so you'd better follow me."

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Captains Get Together



Len Hutton, England's Captain, photographed with Abdul H. Kardav, the Pakistan Captain, at the Pakistan Embassy, London.
The Pakistanis are currently making their first cricket tour to England. (Topical Press).

A General Renaissance Is Under Way For Spanish Soccer

Madrid, May 11.
The disclosure that Luis Iribarren, sole selector of the discredited and defeated Spanish World Cup football team, collected half a million pesetas (approximately \$5,000) bonus during the six months he held office has raised a howl of protest among Spanish football fans.

Ramon Encinas, who assisted Iribarren in preparing the team for its matches was paid a 200,000 pesetas bonus during the same period as well as receiving a monthly payment of 5,000 pesetas (\$50).

Many keen followers of football here considered that these high payments to officials, coming on top of the large sums earned by the players, contributed to the downfall of the Spanish team. They feel that the true love of football as a sport has gone and been replaced by mercenary calculations out of all proportion to sportsmanship.

Patty And Drobny In Another Marathon

Rome, May 11.
Budge Patty of Paris and Los Angeles gained the men's singles final today at Rome's International Tennis Championships by beating a 7-5, 6-4, 6-3 victory over the Czech who plays for Egypt.

The match was hailed by darkness, yesterday with the score standing at 6-9 in the third set after Patty had won the first two sets.

Drobny, who beat Patty in a 63-game match last year at Wimbledon, captured the third set but Patty gained the title point by taking the 16-game fourth set.

Playing under a broiling hot sun, Patty seemed to have trouble getting hold of his game. As Drobny took two of his serves and Patty dropped one of his, going into a three-love lead, spectators felt that the match would stretch out into another marathon comparable to the over four-hour Drobny-Patty match last year at Wimbledon when Drobny won.

In the fourth game, however, Patty recovered control of his service to win. Drobny took the next game, making it 4-1.

Patty then lost two points on double faults, but managed to win his serve. This appeared to upset Drobny who ran into trouble on his own serve, finally losing it, bringing the count to 4-3.

Patty, confident now, unleashed his powerful serve and took the game with two aces, making it 4-4.

From here on the games saw-sawed back and forth, each man winning his own serve until Drobny dropped his at 7-7, giving Patty an 8-7 lead.

Patty then took his serve and match. The near-equality of the two players was evident clear up to match point. —United Press.

Double Title Decided

Rome, May 11.
Enrique Mora of Argentina and Jaroslav Drobný (Czech) won the men's doubles title in the Italian lawn tennis championships, beating Vic Seixas and Tony Trabert, both of the USA, 6-4, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the final today. —Reuter.

Spain's new Football Federation, which took over last month following the resignation of the previous Federation members in the wake of the World Cup defeat, will cut the payment of excessive salaries both to players and officials.

Juan Touzon, new Federation President, is expected to lead the way in a general renaissance of Spanish football. As a starting point, he is bringing down to earth the financial difficulties, so that no "football mavericks" will be left for want of funds. Since Touzon took over 2,000,000 pesetas (£20,000) has been distributed.

Apart from economic questions the Federation is also busy seeking a national selector to replace Iribarren. The matter is fairly urgent because of the necessity of choosing a team to represent the Spanish B squad against the French B in Bayonne on May 30. It is possible that a provisional appointment will be made for this match.

Most popular choices amongst football writers to take over the national selector's post are Ramon Encinas, selector of the national junior team, and Eduardo Teus, previously selector and recognised as one of the outstanding authorities on football in Spain.

Meillon has been an international referee, and is a journalist. Apart from the B match between France and Spain there will be no other international matches this year for the Spanish national teams. The Football Federation hopes to take advantage of the break from big games to iron out the troubles in the Spanish side.

A Football Federation spokesman, Cesarro Galindez has announced that on May 15 of 1955 England and Spain will play in the Chamartin stadium, but it is not known what other international matches are likely to be scheduled.

Galindez said at the same time that for the moment nothing was known of a 1955 visit to any South American countries. Both Paraguay and Brazil have been reported anxious for a visit from a Spanish side.

It is believed that after Spanish football has been thoroughly overhauled this year and next, the national team will enter the international sphere again in full force, and will probably undertake a tour of South American countries.

But the new Football Federation says that Spain will not be invited to play in the World Cup in 1958 as it was by its defeat at the hands of Turkey, a relatively unknown inferior side.

Ed "Porky" Oliver of the US won the first world open championships promoted by the Wack Wack Club in 1949. Lloyd Mangrum, famous US pro, was the winner of the second championships in 1952. —United Press.

Exhibition By Jap Swimmers And Divers

Manila, May 12.
Japanese swimmers and fancy divers, who won major honours in the aquatic events in the Asian Games just concluded here, played the role of instructors in a lively exhibition of games and fancy diving yesterday at Rizal pool.

The Japanese made it merely a water show and capped it all by awarding prizes to local swimmers who placed in different events of the afternoon and distributing fans to the enthusiastic crowd.

Exhibition races included events in the 50, 100 and 200 metres freestyle, backstroke and medley races between Filipino and Japanese swimmers highlighted the show.

A water-polo match between mixed Japanese and Filipino teams drew the curtains down on the two-hour exhibition.

Mr Matsuzawa, President of the Japanese Swimming Federation, rocked the spectators with a demonstration of swimming with hands and feet tied. —France-Press.

Manila To Hold Third World Golf Tourney

Manila, May 11.
A number of top Japanese professionals will be invited to participate in the third world golf championships next November at the Wack Wack Country Club here, the United Press learned today.

Officials at the course, one of the best known in the Far East, said leading pros of the U.S., Australia, Europe and other countries will be invited for the 72-hole medal competition.

The number of foreign golf luminaries competing will depend ultimately on the foreign exchange allotment granted by the Philippine government, it was said. President plans to call for prize monies of 50,000 pesos to be divided among the 10 best scores with 20,000 pesos going to the winner.

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PAKISTAN OPEN ENGLISH TOUR WITH IMPRESSIVE WIN OVER WORCESTER

Worcester, May 11.
Any doubts about the quality of the Pakistan cricketers now touring in England were settled today, when they won the opening first class match of the tour against Worcestershire by eight wickets.

True, Worcestershire are not among the strongest of English county sides, but remembering that the Pakistanis, with the exception of their captain, were strangers to first class cricket in England and that they arrived only ten days ago and so cannot yet have reached their top form, means that they are well worthy of a tour and may challenge the best of county teams later on.

Their match winner was Fuzal Mahmood, 27-year-old all-rounder and vice-captain. When Worcestershire's second innings stood at 156 for one at lunch, a draw seemed certain. But in the 95 minutes afterwards the remaining nine wickets toppled for 88 runs.

Fuzal claimed seven for 19 in 12.1 overs. His full figures were 11 wickets for 102 runs. He caught two batsmen he had a hand in the dismissal of nine men.

Moreover, Fuzal scored 67 runs by entertaining batsmanship and in the match he claimed 11 wickets for 102 runs.

It was while Kenyon and Dewes were engaged in a second wicket stand that Pakistan looked like being robbed of victory, but the turning point came on Fuzal's first over after lunch, when he took three wickets in four balls, including Kenyon.

Then it became only a matter of time and when Dewes' fine knock ended after he had clocked two great sixes, the end was not far away.

There was still excitement as Pakistan lost two wickets for 13 runs, but this left the century makers of the first innings, Alimuddin and Masood, to hit off the runs and enable Pakistan to be the first touring team to win at Worcester.

For since New Zealand did so here seven years ago.

YESTERDAY'S PLAY
Worcestershire were all out in their second innings for 244, which left Pakistan needing 35 runs in about an hour for victory.

Dewes remained while the collapse of Worcestershire in their second innings had started, and he completed a meritorious 50 in one and three quarter hours. For a time Yarnold shut up one end while Dewes attacked at the other but after pulling Khalid for six, Dewes tried a similar treatment against Kenyon and was caught in the deep.

The 70 in 10 minutes over two hours included two sixes and five fours. That was virtually the end of the county's resistance. True, Yarnold and Pons kept into double figures and the innings defeat was reversed with three wickets to fall, but Fuzal Mahmood was bowling brilliantly at this time and the last three wickets fell to him to give him seven for 48 — seven for 19 since lunch.

All out for 244, Worcestershire faced defeat as Pakistan batted, needing only 35.

There was a near sensational opening to the Pakistan second knock when Hanif Muhammad was out without a run scored.

His opening partner, Alimuddin stood firm but lost Waqar Hassan at 13. Then Masood Ahmed joined Alimuddin and this pair hit off the runs, Masood being unbeaten with 22 when the winning hit was made.

The Worcestershire defeat was primarily due to the brilliant bowling of Fuzal Mahmood after lunch. At the interval, the county seemed set to avert defeat but Fuzal who had not taken a wicket in 11 overs, which cost 29 runs, touched top form and virtually skittled the batsmen afterwards.

His figures for the spell were seven wickets for 19 runs in 12.1 overs, six of which were maidens.

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Six Wickets With Six Successive Balls!

London, May 12.
A Lancashire national serviceman with the Second Allied Tactical Air Force in Germany took six wickets with six successive balls at Badelsten.

He is Senior Aircraftman D. Robertson, 20-year-old clerk from Morecambe.

Playing for HQ Unit against RAF station, Bucknurg, he captured the sixth wicket of the innings with the last ball of an over. Then with the first four deliveries of his next over, he skittled out the rest of the side.

The following day, his team played an Air Formation Signals from Long and Robertson, opening the bowling, had their No. 1 batsman caught off his first ball.

No bowler in first-class cricket has ever achieved this feat. Wisden records several bowlers having taken four wickets with consecutive balls, the last being Fred Ridgway for Kent against Derbyshire at Folkestone in 1951. —China Mail Special.

Sheko-O Club To Play RAF In Return Game

On Sunday, May 16 there will be a return match versus the R.A.F. Singles in the morning and Fourballs in the afternoon. The following times will be reserved for the morning singles:

9.15 a.m. Air Comm. Field (18)/C. J. D. Law (17); 9.20 a.m. Wing Cdr. Read (14)/A. Graham (10); 9.25 a.m. Sq. Ldr. Delahoyde (18)/Brig. R. D. Holton (10); 9.30 a.m. Ft. Lt. Lee Bennett (11)/S. M. Sacke (11); 9.35 a.m. Sq. Ldr. Imrie (7)/N. P. Fox (9); 9.40 a.m. F/O Brown (2)/E. J. Newton (7); 9.45 a.m. Ft. Lt. Graham (12)/P. Taggart (18); 9.50 a.m. Ft. Lt. Hutton (18)/Wallace Harper (14); 9.55 a.m. Ft. Lt. Hall (10)/H. G. Bannham (9); 10.00 a.m. Sq. Ldr. Brooks (18)/P. F. McCabe (10); 10.05 a.m. Maj. Slater (18)/F. D. Hammond (10); 10.10 a.m. Sq. Ldr. Cullen (18)/P. R. E. Arnold (18); 10.15 a.m. Ft. Lt. Adams (22)/H. Sidbury (22); 10.20 a.m. F/O Flumby (21)/J. Mould (10).

THE EPIC FEAT



Roger Bannister, the 25-year-old medical student after his epic feat on May 6, when running for the Amateur Athletic Association against Oxford, he became the first human to run the mile in under four minutes. His exact time was 3 mins. 59.4 seconds.
Photo shows Bannister, exhausted by his tremendous effort, being assisted away after the race. (Associated Press Photo).

Yorkshire Start Well In County Cricket League Season

London, May 11.
England's county cricket championship had a great send-off in the series of games which ended in various parts of the country today, all seven producing a definite result.

In fact with Pakistan beating Worcestershire and Essex defeating Cambridge University, there was only one drawn match — Kent versus Oxford University. The winning sides were Yorkshire, Middlesex, Nottinghamshire, Northamptonshire, Warwickshire, Lancashire and Derbyshire.

Warwickshire's win gave them revenge for that defeat in one day in a corresponding match of last season.

Yorkshire are hoping this year will bring about revival in their fortunes and that they will be bidding for the championship again. They have started well because of fine spin bowling by Johnny Wardle and Brian Close.

Gloucestershire appeared to have ample time to get 219 runs for a victory but only Grayveney gained any mastery over the spinners. Close's fine bowling indicated that the two years of national service he had completed since the last Australian tour has not affected his early promise.

Middlesex owed much to Dennis Compton for their opening victory. Some people had been inclined to write this England all-rounder off as a back number but he answered them with match figures of 181 runs and eight wickets for 77.

Sussex were struggling from the start against Northamptonshire, who under their newly appointed professional captain, Dennis Brookes, have made a good start to the campaign. But they were nearly felled by that old stalwart, S. C. Griffith, Assistant Secretary of the M.C.C., who on one of his appearances for the county hit a stubborn half century.

Until then, Sussex seemed doomed to defeat with plenty of time but as it was, 28 of the extra thirty minutes were required by Northamptonshire.

Nottinghamshire and Lancashire finished their matches in two days yesterday and the victorious list of county sides today was completed by Derbyshire, whose opening bowlers, Gladwin and Jackson gave the way for a seven wickets victory despite a century by Tompkin for Leicestershire.

THE RESULTS
Results of matches which ended today:
At Lords: Middlesex beat Hampshire by 135 runs. Middlesex 224 and 308 for seven declared. Hampshire 187 and 230.

At Derby: Derbyshire beat Leicestershire by seven wickets. Leicestershire 134 and 231. Derbyshire 248 and 120 for three.

At Bristol: Yorkshire beat Gloucestershire by 80 runs. Yorkshire 281 and 171 for nine declared. Gloucestershire 234 and 138.

At Oxford: The Oxford University and Kent match was drawn. Kent 207 and 235 for eight declared. Oxford University 234 and 121 for four.

At Northampton: Northamptonshire beat Sussex by 78 runs. Northamptonshire 380 for nine declared and 215. Sussex 246 and 270.

At the Oval: Warwickshire beat Surrey by six wickets. Surrey 224 and 178. Warwickshire 251 and 164 for four.

At Cambridge: Essex beat Cambridge University by three wickets. Cambridge University 288 and 299. Essex 339 and 145 for seven. —Reuter.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following are club selections for bowls teams in league matches scheduled during the week:

RECREIO BLUES
The following will represent the club de Recreio "Blues" in the league against the Craykeover Cricket Club, at Home on Thursday, 13th of May, at 8.30 p.m.
2. A. Luz, C. E. Pares, E. M. Alarcon, B. E. Sousa, R. F. Luz, A. C. Pereira, H. A. Garcia, G. A. Gutierrez, J. F. V. Andre, C. Rosa Pereira, L. F. Xavier, A. P. Pereira.

K.B.C.C.
The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Bowling Green Club in League Matches to be played on Saturday, 12th May, at 3.30 p.m.
1st. Dhy. versus Recreio White (away). W. Thadell, J. G. Meyer, A. Eastman, W. G. Simpson, E. Hughes, R. Browne, G. Norman, E. McKelvie, R. J. Liddell, F. H. Worth, F. Francis, A. Harvey.

2nd Dhy. versus U.S.R.C. (away)
Harvey, J. Francis, A. Harvey, E. Hughes, L. C. Parker, S. A. Tremlett, G. Greenes, A. Bailey, H. F. Shields, G. Bicheno, R. J. Taylor, E. F. G. Baker, E. Purvis.

Reserves—A. E. Shaw, J. W. Belkum, L. C. Harris.

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No Increase In Anti-American Feeling In Britain

London, May 11.

The grand alliance with the United States stands rock-bottomed and iron-clad in Britain today.

Nine years after the end of World War II it is the basis of both American and British foreign policy and the hinge of the Western world's defences. There is less verbal sniping at American soldiers and airmen in England today than last year.

Yet anti-Americanism is still abroad in Britain. And for the first time since the alliance was forged in the heat of war, a serious political force has arisen in the Labour left-wing American-Bevan to challenge it openly.

This is a frank report on the state of that alliance, told in the opinions of politicians and officials, the words of ordinary Britons and G.I.s and the columns of figures that represent American aid since 1945.

When they got to know American servicemen, it's different. They got the wrong impression from the boys who hang around Piccadilly.

A Third Air Force order has gone out to try to tone down the flashy dress of the Piccadilly loungers and some other G.I.s to "wear clothes in accordance with local customs." That meant coats and ties instead of leather jackets and loud shirts.

Since the days when Britain stood victorious but battered in 1945, the United States has sent some \$6,500,000,000 across the Atlantic—\$2,500,000,000 in outright grants, \$4,000,000,000 in loans. Britain started her 50-year repayment of the loans two years ago right on the dot.

Some \$230,000,000 in defence aid is coming to Britain this year. The end probably is in sight next year.

If we should therefore have to shoulder our own burden the prospect gives occasion for gratitude and indeed wonderment at the scale and duration of American generosity," said the Conservative Daily Telegraph newspaper.

British politicians and newspapers from the embryonic Labour Party Daily Herald are constant in their condemnation and concern about Senator Joseph McCarthy and "McCarthyism" in America.

There was a political uproar in this bomb-vulnerable island when the destructive power of the H-bomb became known. But a public opinion poll showed that 64 per cent of the country believed that America should not stop the H-bomb tests unless Russia does too. Some 42 per cent said that the bomb made war less likely while 23 per cent thought more likely.—United Press.

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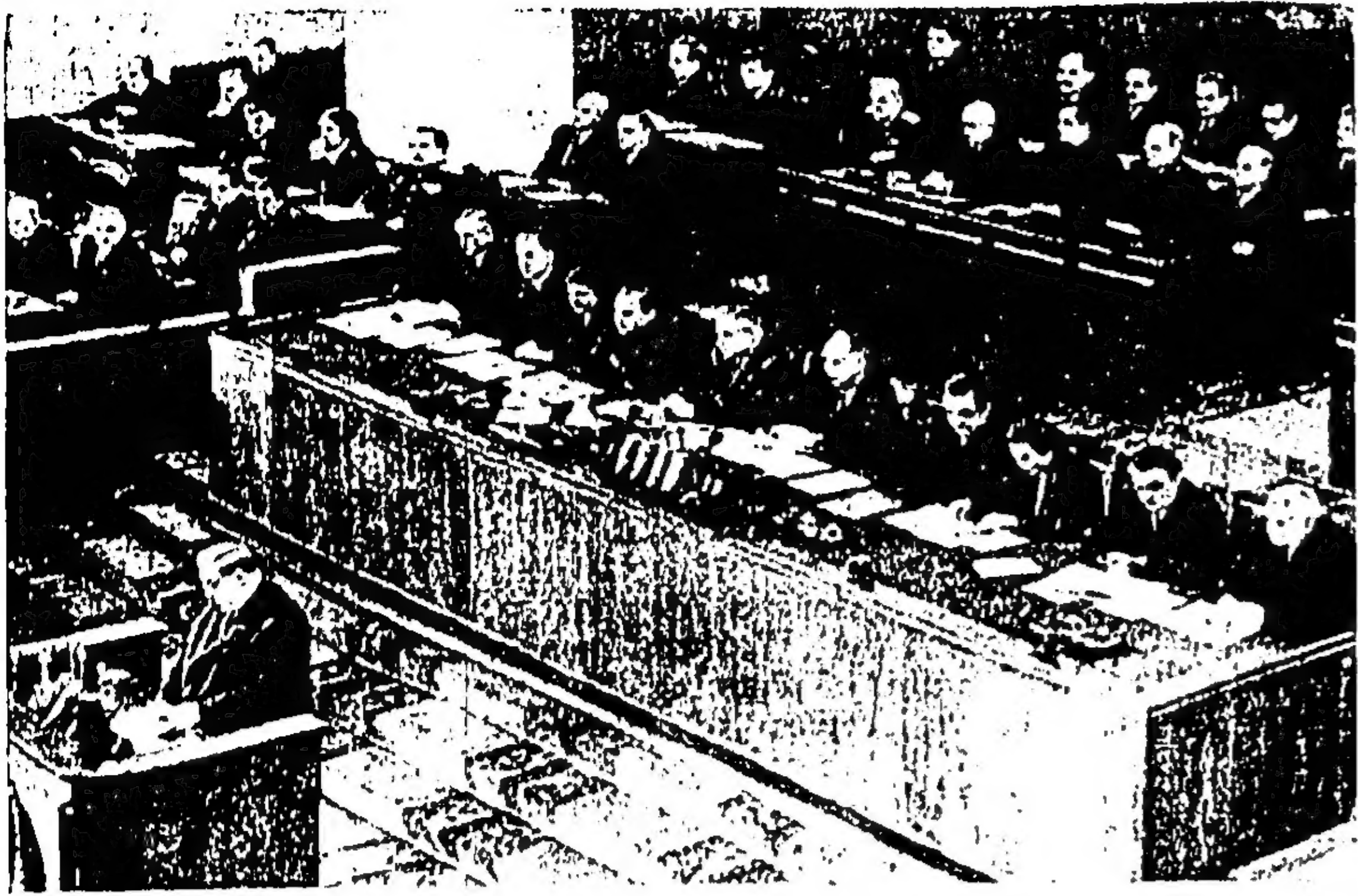
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ARCTIC JADE EARNS DOLLARS FOR THE ESKIMOS

Shungnak, Alaska, May 10

A handful of Eskimo men and boys, helped by an American school teacher and his wife, are hard at work creating a new way of life for this tiny Arctic village called Shungnak. White prospectors have long been lured into this remote wilderness by tales of a fabulous mountain of solid jade.

But the people of Shungnak are improving on fiction with a modern success story of their creation of a thriving gem industry. Their infant jade project is a completely Eskimo scheme, from the original mining of the jade to the cutting, grinding and polishing of the gems.

The quality of the jewellery, which is now beginning to leave home, is a tribute to the artistic talent and skill of a supposedly primitive people.

Shungnak lies well off the usual tourist routes, more than 100 air miles inland from Alaska's Arctic coast. The village and its people are hardly typical of the usual version of the Arctic and its Eskimo population.

The Eskimo is a sturdy, direct as a flat, monotonous stretch of treeless tundra. But Shungnak's sturdy timber and sed houses line a cliff just above the banks of the winding Kokuk River.

Trees come down almost to the water's edge and surround the village.

Beyond the settlement, the gently rising tundra stretches away almost to the sky line, which is rimmed by the snow-capped peaks of the Coast Mountains. In summer, the tundra comes alive and is covered almost overnight with a green-like land.

Astronomers Will Watch For An Elusive Light

Washington, May 9.

Shortly before sunrise on June 30 astronomers in South-western Nebraska and eastern Colorado will attempt a photographic observation of the zodiacal light while the sun is in total eclipse below the horizon, according to the President of the National Geographic Society, Dr Gilbert Grosvenor.

The astronomers are members of a project sponsored by the Society and will be headed by Dr George van Biesbroeck, of the University of Chicago's Observatory.

Greater knowledge has long been sought concerning the unusual zodiacal light—a faint, hazy band which extends outward from the sun. In the forthcoming study, photographic stations will be set up at three stations along a line South-West of North Platte, Nebraska, and extending into eastern Colorado.

The total eclipse will not be visible in that area. It will occur just below the eastern horizon a few minutes before sunrise. Observers hope that the intensity of the dawn light will be sufficiently reduced by the eclipse to permit definite photographs to be taken of the zodiacal light.

The astronomers will make horizontal sweeps along the horizon with fast photo-electric cameras in an attempt to distinguish the zodiacal light from the dawn.

Efforts to photograph this elusive light during total solar eclipses in 1937 and 1938 were unsuccessful. On both occasions the eclipse was taking place above the horizon when the pictures were made and bright sky glare hindered operations.

The zodiacal light is best seen before sunrise or after sunset. During daylight hours the sunlight disturbs the atmosphere and makes observations difficult.

Earlier plans to establish camera stations in the mountain altitudes west of Denver have been abandoned. Although the chances of a transparent sky might be better in that region it is considered too far west for the effect of the eclipse to be noticeable.

The zodiacal light has been best observed in the world's tropical regions where it sometimes stretches right across the sky. In northern latitudes it is most prominent after sunset during the spring months and before sunrise in autumn.

The light was named by Jean Dominique Cassini, a French astronomer in 1683. But it is known to have been observed 22 years earlier by an English clergyman scientist.

Reference to one of Shakespeare's plays to a "morning that the sun exhales" suggests that it may have been known even earlier. — China Mail Special.

covered with brilliant green jade and hundreds of varieties of Arctic wild flowers.

The people of Shungnak live mainly by fishing, hunting and trapping. So far, their very remoteness has spared them many of the ill effects of a headlong plunge into the white man's way of life.

About 140 people live in the village and the settlement boasts a school, a store, a post office, a radio, a telephone, a cooperative store and a friends club built by the people.

On top of the hill behind Shungnak is the well-equipped Alaska Native Service station and school. This two-story modern building, painted a gleaming yellow, is the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Graham, the only white residents of Shungnak, and also something of a community centre.

Shungnak's 27 children of school age attend classes here during the day. But at night a classroom may become a cinema.

Mr. Graham, who has been giving his fullest encouragement to the project, stresses that in spite of the assistance given by the Government, the project would have been a failure without the inherent skills of the Eskimo residents. They were amazingly quick to catch on to the intricate techniques of the work and are now turning out products equal to any on the commercial market.

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AMERICA ASKED TO RAISE PRICE OF SYNTHETIC RUBBER

Colombo, May 12.

The International Rubber Study Group ended its meeting here today without reaching agreement on specific measures to stabilise world rubber markets.

But the United States delegate agreed to transmit to his Government a request for the United States to reconsider increasing the price of GRS synthetic.

The group put world natural rubber production in 1954 at round 1,705,000 long tons, and synthetic output in member countries at some 706,000.

It estimated world consumption at 1,681,000 and 714,000 respectively, leaving an excess of 16,000 tons available for stocks. An official communiqué issued at the conclusion of the talks said: "Firstly, stabilisation of the world's rubber markets at equitable prices remains the strong desire of all members of the group. There was no consensus, however, as to the means by which such stabilisation was to be achieved, nor as to the necessity for buffer stock agreement at this time."

"Consequently the group did not make any recommendations on the subject."

"The group did agree that the work done on the draft buffer stock agreement had been valuable and should be borne in mind in the event that present balance between demand and supply was disturbed by unforeseen developments."

"Secondly, as regards short term remedies recommended by the special committee of the Management Committee of the group held in London last October and mentioned in the communiqué issued in London on October 31, 1952, the group noted the following points:

"A. The rubber stockpile rotation practices of the United States Government were reviewed in December 1953 and in May 1954."

"B. The United States was prepared to give sympathetic consideration to specific proposals directed to an increased effort on the part of producers to plant or replace with high yielding strains, to reduce costs, and otherwise to improve the efficiency of production and marketing. It was recognised that such measures could enhance the competitive position of natural rubber producers but only in the long term."

"C. The United States Government had decided, after careful examination, that it had no grounds for altering the basis of its present pricing policy for GRS."

"D. It was agreed that the price relationship between synthetic and natural rubber was of vital importance to rubber producers, especially in countries which were mainly dependent on the proceeds of their natural rubber exports for their economic welfare and development."

Representatives of producing countries repeated that raising of the GRS price as requested at earlier discussions in the group, would have facilitated their efforts to re-equip their plantations and expressed their regret that this had not been done.

Even at this late stage an increase in price would be of material assistance in encouraging planting and replanting on a scale adequate to put the industry on a more competitive footing and to meet probable future world demand.

"All the natural rubber-producing countries represented at the meeting, with the sympathy of several consuming countries, both large and small, strongly urged the United States delegate to transmit to his Government a request in reconsideration whether in the light of the views expressed above, the Government could not see its way to revising the present price of GRS in an upward direction."

"In agreeing to transmit this request to his Government, the United States delegate stated that he could not support it because in his view the outlook for rubber consumption was such that the natural rubber industry could be developed satisfactorily without an artificial or arbitrary increase in the price of GRS."

"Fourthly, in view of the importance which, as recorded in section three, it attaches to the relationship between synthetic and natural rubber, the group decided to entrust the management committee with the specific task of keeping the relationship between the synthetic and natural rubber prices under close and continuous scrutiny and instructed it to draw the attention of member governments to any important changes in the situation."

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Dirty Water Wanted

London, May 11.

A British plane was today flying into London airport two gallons of the dirtiest water specialists had been able to find for experiments with a new anti-bacteria filter at the London School of Hygiene. The water comes from the River Tigris at Bagdad and from the Shatt El Arab at Basra, both in Iraq.—China Mail Special.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$129,530. Noon quotations and the morning's dealings:—

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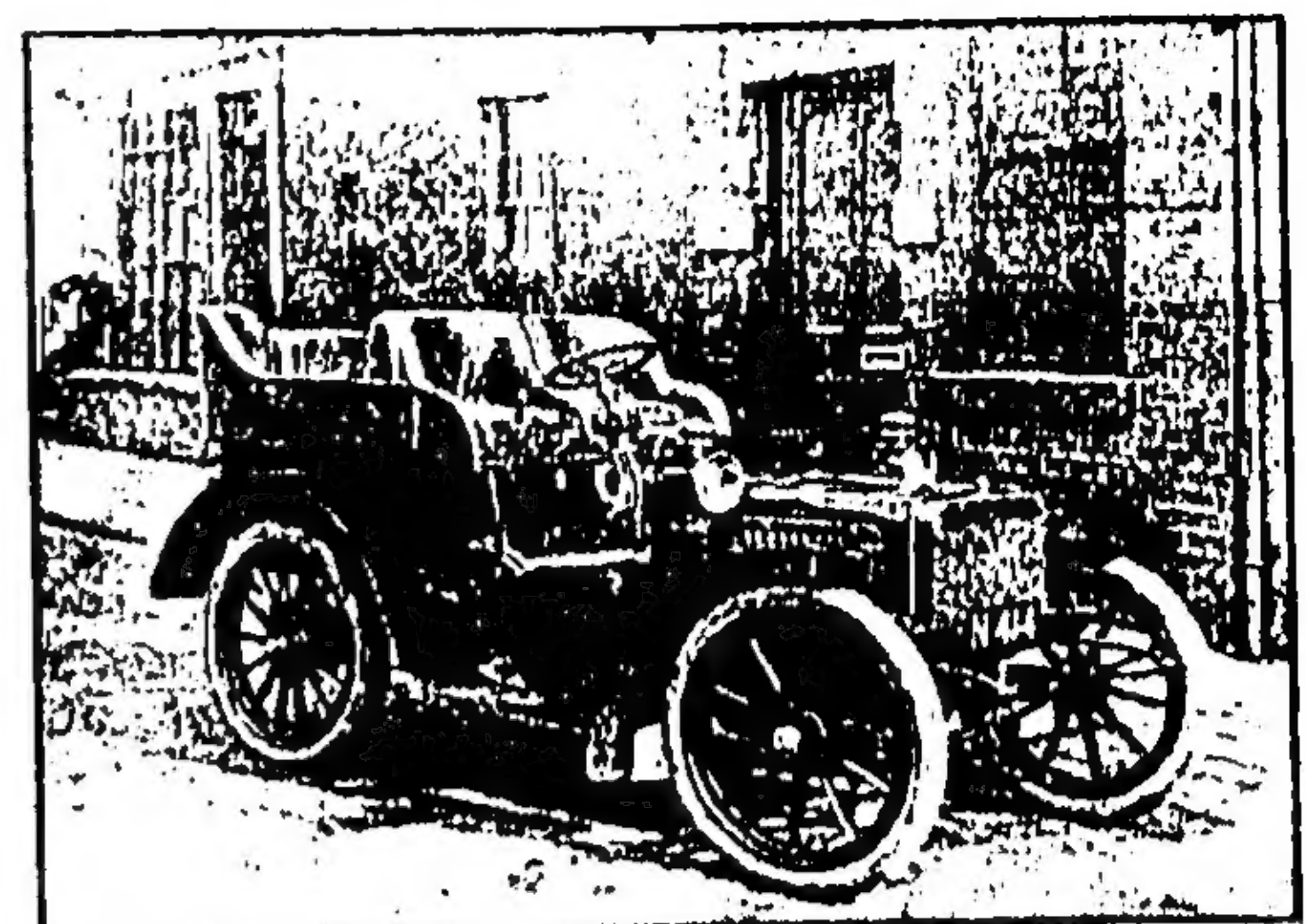
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A Forerunner To The "Rolls"



One of the first three Royce two-cylinder cars.

A FAMOUS NAME FOR 50 YEARS Rolls-Royce's Jubilee Celebrated

London, May 11.

Rolls-Royce Ltd celebrate this month a meeting in Manchester 50 years ago which led to the formation of the company whose name is now synonymous with progress in motor car and aircraft engineering.

At this meeting in 1904 were two men, a dashing 27-year-old racing motorist, son of a peer who had been educated at Eton and Cambridge, Charles Rolls, and an older man, Henry Royce, a mechanical genius but a man who had worked, studied and starved before he developed a prosperous business and turned out his first car.

The meeting came after young Rolls had driven and admired the qualities of one of Royce's first cars. He offered to sell all the cars Royce could produce.

The wealthy aristocracy of England at that time wanted a reliable car plus comfort and silence and the following Spring 15 h.p. three-cylinder and 20 h.p. four-cylinder models were on the market under the name of Rolls-Royce.

Thus the company began. Rolls was also an enthusiastic balloonist and after meeting the Wright Brothers he became a keen aviator. He was killed while flying at Bournemouth in 1910.

Before that the famous "RR" trademark which appeared on the top of the grill of every Rolls-Royce car had been painted in red. On the death of his partner, Royce changed the colour to black and it has remained that colour ever since.

The year after the end of the war, an Eagle-powered Viny made the first non-stop crossing of the Atlantic. In the same year a similar aircraft made the first flight from England to Australia.

In the ten years from 1914, Rolls-Royce built over 7,000 aero engines. In 1925, later began on the "F" series, later called the Merlin. Nearly 5,000 Merlin engines were built, and the engine saw service in 21 countries overseas. Power was developed from 480 to 785 hp.

In 1920, Rolls-Royce began development of the "R" engine which, installed in the Supermarine seaplanes, helped to win the Schneider Trophy outright for Great Britain. These racing engines were developed to give over 2,500 hp.

In 1932, work began on another development, the Merlin, which was to be so important an engine in the 1939-45 war, as the power-plant of the Spitfire, Hurricane, Lancaster, American-built Mustang, and 17 other types of aircraft. More than 150,000 Merlins were made in Great Britain and the U.S.A. by 1945.

Following the Merlin came the Griffon. This was developed initially to give 1,540 hp, and now, installed in the Shackleton, is rated at 1,455 hp. Post-war commercial operations with Merlin-powered aircraft now stand at over 5½ million flying hours.

The first Rolls-Royce gas turbine, the Welland jet, was tested in 1942, and in the same year design of the Darwent began. The following year work began on the Nene, and the Welland, the only Allied jet to go into service during the war, was installed in the Meteor.

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Japan's Exports Lower

Tokyo, May 11.

Japan's exports during April slightly decreased to \$131,450,000 from \$135,000,000 in March, according to the figures of Bank of Japan.

Certificates of export declarations released today by the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

Exports to the dollar area in April decreased to \$43,848,000 from \$40,027,000, but exports to the sterling and open account areas decreased to \$37,934,000 and \$49,073,000, respectively, from \$41,527,000 and \$54,136,000.

Exports to the dollar area showed an increase as compared with exports in April last year; the increase to the dollar area was chiefly due to an increase in exports of chemical products to Korea, cotton goods to Mexico and ferrous metals to various countries. The drop in exports to the sterling and open account areas was due to lower exports of machinery and cotton goods.

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Change In Fortune

THE atmosphere in the small, smart, dining and drinking club was peaceful and calm as a rule, so the turmoil caused when it was decided to shift the bar from the ground floor to the basement, seemed by contrast all the greater.

Such indeed was the upheaval on that day, that at the end of it, Frank, the barman, found himself setting off for home with the night's takings, £2 11s. in his pocket.

"It'll do in the morning, pay it in then," said the manager to Frank as he left.

THE CLERK

FRANK walked off to his lodgings, a tall, bespectacled, middle-aged man of 33. More like a clerk, in fact, than a barman, he looked as he went home, than a club barman.

In fact, Frank, for most of his working life, had been a clerk. When he left school, at 17, his family put him into an office in Belfast where he lived.

He stayed there, five years, then left for a better job in an office. So, slowly but steadily, Frank's career progressed. He left Belfast and came to London, and for three years, up to last summer, held the best job he had so far had, in an office in the City.

THE LAME DOG

THEN he quit, and the fault was not his that he did. His eye, had begun to trouble him. He could no longer do work in an office that involved long hours over the book.

For the rest of the summer he worked in a milk bar, and in the autumn he graduated to the other kind of bar in the club. When he got home on the night that they moved the club bar, Frank found someone waiting for him. It was a man whom he had once, on three occasions, helped out.

Now there was a frightening urgency in the man's voice, "Look, Frank, he's at 'Lend me' two quid, just for a week or two, give it you back."

Frank handed over £2 of the bar money, which was all he had on him.

ANOTHER JOB

FRANK intended to repay the money, but he put off the evil day, as men do, and presently, as it seemed, the management, if not himself, forgot all about it. They only remembered on the day they dispensed with his services as barman. "That £2 11s," the management said then.

"I haven't got it," Frank stammered. "I'll get it, though."

But the police were called, and the following morning Frank appeared briefly at Great Marlborough Street, and asked to be reminded, so that he could talk to a lawyer.

By the time Frank came back he had a new job, humbler than the last, as a porter, and his solicitor was busy to tell the magistrate, Mr. Rowland Thomas, QC, that the £2 11s, which Frank pleaded guilty to stealing as a servant was available to be paid back to the club.

MARRIAGE

THE police told the stories of Frank's crime and of his career to the magistrate, then Frank's solicitor rose again. "This man is working again now, sir," he said. "His pay is £6 a week, and he is hoping to get married. He did actually pay the money from the club to this friend, whom he has helped before."

The magistrate said to Frank: "Pay £3 fine and £2 2s. costs. For heaven's sake don't do this sort of thing again." Then as Frank made gratefully off, the magistrate called: "And don't forget that £2 11s."

The public gallery laughed at the reminder, and Frank joined them through his thick-lensed glasses, as people do whose eyesight lets them down.

Then he marched boldly out to settle his debts to the court, and to face the future—the strange new job and marriage on £6 a week.

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McCarthy Hearings Not To Be Curtailed

Washington, May 11. Senate investigators today voted down two proposals to curtail the McCarthy hearings and then indicated they will resort to overtime night sessions to speed up the dragging inquiry.

A majority of the Senate investigating sub-committee said they will support the proposal for special two-hour night sessions. Acting Chairman Karl E. Mundt warned the hearings might drag on until July 4 or later unless something is done to speed them.

After a day-long debate, the sub-committee defeated a Republican plan to shorten the public hearings by shutting them off after Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy testified. Also rejected was a Democratic proposal to drastically limit cross-examination privileges.

Army Secretary Robert T. Stevens, said the Republican plan, advanced by Sen. Everett M. Dirksen when he protested that it would "not result in fairness." Sen. Mundt had warned in advance he would oppose the plan unless it was acceptable to both sides.

The Dirksen proposal was defeated 4-3, with Sen. Mundt voting with the three sub-committee Democrats. The Democratic cut-off plan was defeated by the same margin.

But with Mundt and the three other Republican members teaming successfully against it.

NIGHT SESSIONS

Sen. Henry C. Dworshak then proposed that the sub-committee speed up things by holding night sessions from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. each hearing day. Sen. Mundt promptly scheduled a secret meeting on Wednesday morning to vote on the proposal.

Five sub-committee members indicated either publicly or to reporters that they will vote for night sessions. Sen. Dirksen said he will oppose them, while Sen. Stuart Symington did not disclose his views immediately.

The Army's opposition to Sen. Dirksen's plan for shortening the hearings brought an angry outburst from McCarthy. He accused Army Counsel Joseph N. Welch of "bad faith" and of breaking agreements to end the televised public sessions.

Welch announced the Army's position after three telephone calls to Mr. Stevens, who had been excused from the hearings for the first time since they opened on April 22. Mr. Stevens was suffering from a virus infection.

NOT FAIR AND JUST

Welch reported that Mr. Stevens felt it would not be "fair and just" to cut off the public sessions without having other "principals" in the dispute take the witness stand as he has done for the past 14 days. Mr. Stevens said this applied to both the Army and McCarthy sides.

Sub-committee counsel Ray H. Jenkins announced he will call someone from the Army side on Wednesday to testify until Mr. Stevens recovers. Other Army principals in the dispute are Army Counselor John G. Adams and Assistant Secretary of Defense H. Struve Hemsel.

Mr. Stevens has been on the stand at least part of each day, testifying on the Army's charge that Sen. McCarthy and his aides "improperly sought threatened treatment for Pfc. G. David Schine, drafted McCarthy consultant."

Sen. McCarthy and his chief counsel, Roy M. Cohn, have charged that the Army tried to use Schine as a "hostage" to get them to call off an investigation of alleged Communist infiltration at the top-secret Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, radar centre.—United Press.

Lightning Kills Ten People

Singapore, May 11. A total of ten people were reported to have been killed and 18 injured by lightning during the heavy storms which raged for the past two days in the south of Malaya.—France-Press.

A Prince & An Actress Marry



There was great excitement among the crowds who gathered in Rome last week for the wedding of British actress Dawn Addams, and Prince Vittorio Massimo, a Prince of one of Rome's oldest families. The Prince and his Princess changed their clothes in a rough blue shirt and jeans. Dawn wore a red and white costume of a peasant woman. The happy couple are seen here cutting the cake.—London Express Photo.

Vietnam Will Demand Firmer Guarantees

Geneva, May 12.

Vietnam plans to demand firmer guarantees against a Communist takeover in its territory than those set out in Saturday's French peace plan when the nine-nation Indo-China peace talks resume here today, conference sources said.

Mr. Nguyen Buoc Dinh, Foreign Minister of Vietnam, the biggest and most war-torn of the three Associated States of Indo-China, is today answering the eight-point rebel plan submitted to the conference on Monday.

While rejecting the Vietminh proposals as they now stand, he is also expected to make an implied criticism of those put forward by M. Georges Bidault, the French Foreign Minister, last Saturday.

M. Bidault's plan was concerned almost entirely with armistice conditions and laid down no specific post-armistice political terms.

The Vietminh plan did, it demanded free elections in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia under the supervision of joint commissions made up of representatives drawn from the existing governments and the Vietminh movements in all three Associated States.

The French plan contained no detailed political proposals to avoid a repetition of the kind of stalemate which has occurred in other world trouble spots, though this had been expected.

The Communist plan did not propose an immediate ceasefire to be followed by a political settlement as had been forecast. It made the ceasefire dependent upon French agreement to its political conditions.

Western spokesmen have described the Vietminh suggestion of elections without international supervision as an attempt to impose Communist domination over all three States. They say the proposed method of holding the elections follows the type which led to Communist governments in the countries of Eastern Europe.

For this reason it is thought unlikely that agreement will be reached on the political future of Indo-China, where the French struggle against the rebels has now lasted seven years.

WANT COMPROMISE

The Western Powers are therefore expected to try to concentrate the debate on a search for a compromise between the two armistice proposals.

Even if the Communists agree to this the task will not be easy. M. Bidault has demanded the complete evacuation of all Vietminh troops from Cambodia and Laos, and the regroupment of the forces of both sides in Vietnam, where most of the fighting has taken place.

He did not specify the areas where this regroupment should take place, but suggested that the two Commanders-in-Chief should submit proposals. But the terms promised by the French Government to the National Assembly in Paris last

TRIBUTE PAID TO TEMPLER

Kuala Lumpur, May 12. The nine Malay rulers paid a tribute to the retiring High Commissioner in Malaya, General Sir Gerald Templer, at a dinner here last night.

The Sultan of Selangor, representing the rulers, read out the tribute which expressed "our deep and sincere appreciation of the outstanding and valuable services you have rendered to the Malay States in particular and the Federation in general."

The message, in a silver casket, was presented to General Templer, who is leaving Malaya at the end of this month to take up a new military appointment in Germany. The Sultan of Selangor gave him the personal gift of a valuable kris.

The tribute also said: "By restoring the morale and confidence of the people in the prosecution of the campaign against militant Communism, you have established the foundations upon which the normal functions of the administration and of the business and daily life of the country can be resumed."

"The measures you have taken for the expansion of the Malay Regiment, the founding of the Federation Regiment and the creation of the Military College will be of everlasting value to the future security of the country."—United Press.

Europe Basks In Sunshine

London, May 11.

Most of Europe from Stockholm through Paris to Rome basked in early summer sunshine today with temperatures as high as 28 degrees centigrade at The Hague.

Thousands of Netherlanders flocked to the sea (a cool breeze along the coast kept most of them out of the water). In Stockholm, temperatures of 12 degrees centigrade melted the last traces of snow after a hard long winter.

Finland enjoyed the warm sunshine of a late spring. Average temperature in Vienna was 19.2 degrees centigrade today, but on Saturday heating had to be started up in apartments because of a sudden drop to six degrees centigrade.

It was warmer in the north of France than in the normally sunny south, with temperatures rising to 20 degrees centigrade. The experts expected Copenhagen's unusual 18 degrees centigrade to last for a few days.—Reuters.

Molotov Attacks SE Asia Security Pact Proposal

Geneva, May 11.

Russia today accused the Western powers headed by the United States of planning "a new military bloc against the peoples of Southeast Asia."

Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, told the ninth plenary session of the 19-nation Korean conference here "this new aggressive bloc against the Asian peoples needs finishing touches yet, but in Singapore and other geographical points conferences with the participation of military officials of the United States, Britain, France and Australia are taking place."

(Authoritative reports said that Britain, the United States, France, Australia, and New Zealand would hold a high-level military conference soon to discuss the Southeast Asian situation. But in Washington today, Mr. John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, denied that any five-power talks in Singapore were under way or in prospect.)

Mr. Molotov said some "dependent Asian states" could be drawn in to such a bloc. But its main purpose was to perpetuate colonialism and outworn privileges and to curb nations striving for liberty and independence.

Mr. Molotov backed the North Korean plan to reunify Korea as the most reasonable chance for a Korean settlement and said the United Nations flag was used in Korea "only to cover up American aggression."

The United Nations had thus deprived itself of the capacity to act as an impartial international body and "can no longer carry out objective functions in the settlement of the Korean problem."

CHINA'S CLAIMS

Supporting China's claim to be one of the "Big Five" powers, Mr. Molotov said it was an indisputable fact that China was one of the only five powers taking part in both the Korean and Indo-China parts of the Geneva conference. The other were Russia, Britain, France and the United States.

Mr. Molotov was the first speaker when the general Korean debate was resumed today after a recess since Friday. Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, presided at the four-hour session—longest on Korea since the Far East conference opened on April 28.

Mr. Pyun Yung-lai, the South Korean Foreign Minister, urged the Communist North Korean regime to follow South Korea's example nine days from now in holding elections under United Nations supervision. The South Korean election on May 20 would be the fourth to be held under the close and direct observation of the United Nations, he said.

"To the Communist regime in the North, we can only repeat: Let down the barriers and permit this expression of the will of the people to be genuinely and completely nationwide."

"Let them vote in the North as they are doing in the South, and the programme of reunification is solved."

Mr. Pyun in his third speech to the conference spoke after Mr. Molotov and M. Paul Henri Spaak, the Belgian Foreign Minister.

APPEALS TO REDS

Mr. Pyun also appealed to the Communists to allow the International Red Cross behind the "Iron Curtain" to search for thousands upon thousands of South Korean civilians herded North by the Communists in 1950, and help them return home.

He accused the Chinese Communists of the "diabolical practice of forcing Korean women to marry Chinese men."

Appealing against the alleged mistreatment of North Korean women by the Chinese, Mr. Pyun put a direct question to Mr. Chou En-lai, Chinese Communist Prime Minister, who was in the conference room to tell him whether "such a barbaric practice behaves as a regime that aspires to rank among the great powers."

Mr. Pyun said the 45,000 Korean and Chinese former prisoners, whose return China has demanded, were no longer prisoners but citizens recovered from "illegal Communist domination."

The Chinese Communist demand, he said, was incomprehensible "if it is not to be construed as designed to develop a deadlock in the conference and eventually break it up."

Mr. Pyun also told Mr. Chou that "we, Koreans have no

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at 4.10 p.m. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the 4.10 p.m. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office. The latest posting times for registered articles are given one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

By Air
Japan, Korea, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Okinawa, 6 p.m.
Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.
Burma, India, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Macao, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

By Air
India, Ceylon, 10 a.m.
Japan, Korea, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Okinawa, Hawaii, U.S.A. and Canada, 2 p.m.
Formosa, 2 p.m.
By Surface
N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6.30 a.m.
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Japan, 1 p.m.
Korea, 2 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

By Air
Philippines, 9 a.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 10 a.m.
By Surface
Formosa, Japan, Korea, 2 p.m.
India, Ceylon, 9 p.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.

DIVORCE GRANTED

Mr Justice J. R. Gregg, Paines Judge, at the Supreme Court this morning granted a decree nisi, to be made absolute within three months, to Lo Black-ha of 178 Nathan Road, first floor, who petitioned for a divorce from her husband, Ng Ka-sheung, of 44 Tin Kwong Road, Kowloon, on grounds of adultery.

The respondent, who did not contest the suit, was ordered to pay the costs of the action. Named as co-respondent was Lau Hui-lung.

His Lordship ruled that the question of custody of two children and alimony, asked for by the petitioner, would be decided at a hearing on 20 after the affidavits of the particulars of claim in this regard.

Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Mr. P. C. Woo, represented the petitioner.

Why He Had Outboard Motor

"I have no other purposes for preparing an outboard motor on board Sir, except to use it when fishing and in case of inclement weather," pleaded 29-year-old fishing junk master Leung Chih-poh, when he was charged with a breach of his junk licence before Mr. C. Cairns at the Marine Court this morning.

Leung's junk was lying at anchor in Cheung Chau harbour yesterday afternoon when the Police boarded it and found an outboard engine aboard.

He was fined \$50 or two weeks' imprisonment.

Wind Signal Down

The strong wind signal which was hoisted at 4 p.m. yesterday, was lowered today at noon.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Oh, I'm not worried about money, Aunt Emmal George says it'll be two or three years before we have any!"